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| Date of Sailing. | Steamer. | Tons. | Connecting at Aden with | Tons. |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 30th Dec. 1912 | MALOJA ......... | 12500 | ---- | — |
| 6th Jan. | SALSETTE ......... | 6000 | MONGOLIA ... | 10000 |
| 13th " | PERSIA ......... | 8000 | ---- | ... |
| 20th " | SALSETTE ......... | 6000 | MOOLTAN ... | 10000 |
| 27th " | OCEANA ......... | 7000 | ---- | ... |
| 3rd Feb. | SALSETTE ......... | 6000 | MALWA ... | 11000 |
| 10th " | CHINA ......... | 8000 | ---- | ... |
| 17th " | SALSETTE ......... | 6000 | MANTUA ... | 11000 |
| 24th " | EGYPT ......... | 8000 | ---- | ... |
| 2nd Mar. | MACEDONIA ......... | 10500 | ---- | ... |
| 9th " | ARABIA ......... | 8000 | ---- | ... |
| 16th " | SALSETTE ......... | 6000 | MOREA ... | 11000 |
| 20th " | *ARCADIA ......... | 7000 | ---- | ... |
| 23rd " | PERSIA ......... | 8000 | ---- | ... |
| 30th " | MARMORA ......... | 10500 | ---- | ... |
| 6th April. | MOOLTAN ......... | 10000 | ---- | ... |
| 13th " | SALSETTE ......... | 6000 | MOLDAVIA ... | 11000 |
| 20th " | MANTUA ......... | 11000 | ---- | ... |
| 27th " | SALSETTE ......... | 6000 | MALOJA ... | 12500 |
| 4th May. | EGYPT ......... | 8000 | ---- | ... |
| 11th " | SALSETTE ......... | 6000 | MONGOLIA ... | 10000 |
| 18th " | ARABIA ......... | 8000 | ---- | ... |

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| Steamer. | Tons. | Leave Liverpool about 1911 | Due Bombay about 1911 | Leave Karachi about 1911 | Leave Bombay about 1911 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| ty of Athens | 5594 | — | — | 3 Jan, '12 | ... |
| ty of Birmingham ......... | 7000 | — | .... | 13 Jan. | 1912<br>15 Jan. |
| y of Sparta... | 5415 | ...<br>1912 | ...... | 20 Jan. | ... |
| ty of York... | 7810 | .... | 8 Jan. | 30 Jan. | 1 Feb. |
| ty of Glasgow......... | 6529 | 13 Jan. | 5 Feb. | 27 Feb. | 29 Feb. |
| rafford Hall .. | 5321 | 23 Jan. | 16 Feb. | 13 Mar | — |
| ty of Calcutta | 7512 | 3 Feb. | 26 Feb. | 23 Mar. | 25 Mar. |
| ty of Athens... | 5594 | 20 Feb. | 13 Mar. | 6 Apl. | ... |
| ty of Vienna.. | 4672 | — | .... | — | 13 Apl. |
| ty of Birmingham......... | 7000 | 2 Mar. | 25 Mar. | 17 Apl. | — |
| ty of York... | 7800 | 12 Mar. | 4 Apl. | 27 Apl. | 29 Apl. |
| y of Sparta... | 5415 | 26 Mar. | 18 Apl. | 11 May | ... |
| y of Glasgow | 6529 | 10 Apr. | 3 May | 25 May | 27 May |

TE.—All the above steamers have second class accommo- on except the s.s. City of Vienna, and Trafford Hall.

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|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Rs. | Rs. | Rs. | Rs. |
| Marseilles......... | 578 | 891 | 429 | 649 |
| London via Marseilles | 652 | 1,091 | 489 | 809 |
| Liverpool......... | 605 | 957 | 462 | 704 |

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|---|---|---|---|---|
| Dwarka ... | 1695 | Thurs. 28th Dec. | 9 a.m. | *C. M. |
| Linga ... | 2184 | Fri. 29th Dec. | 6 a.m.† | direct. |
| Lhasa ... | 2184 | Mon. 1st Jan. | 11 a.m. | ‡ via P. D. & C. M. |

*Cutch Mandvie.
†Or later on arrival of English Mail Steamer.
‡Porebunder, Dwarka and Cutch Mandvie.

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| Bregenz ... | 3905 | A. Petris | ...... 16th " " |
| Cleopatra ... | 4039 | ... | ...... 1st Feb. " |
| Habsburg ... | 3979 | D. Cosulich | ...... 16th Feb. " |
| Semiramis ... | 3999 | ... | ...... 1st Mar. " |
| Bregenz ... | 3905 | A. Petris | ...... 16th " " |
| Cleopatra ... | 4039 | ... | ...... 1st April " |
| Habsburg ... | 3979 | D. Cosulich | ...... 16th " " |
| Semiramis ... | 3999 | ... | ...... 1st May " |
| Bregenz ... | 3905 | A. Petris | ...... 16th " " |
| Cleopatra ... | 4039 | ........... | ...... 1st June " |

ORDINARY LINE via KARACHI.

| Steamers. | Tons. | Captains. | To sail about. |
|---|---|---|---|
| Persia ......... | 5895 | S. Clunak | ......26th Feb. 1912 |
| Nippon ......... | 6350 | E. Tarabochia | ...28th Mar. " |
| Vorwaerts ...... | 5990 | R. Dannecker | ...27th April " |
| † Austria ....... | 7588 | G. Raicich.. | ......28th " " |
| China ........... | 6017 | P. Pavissich | ......28th May " |
| Fr. Ferdinand | 6046 | B. Cobol | .........27th June " |

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|---|---|---|---|
| Vorwaerts... | 5990... | R. Dannecker ... | 24th Jan. 1912. |

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CALLED UP ......................£400,000
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## THE BANK OF INDIA, LD.

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CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED...Rs. 1,00,00,000
CAPITAL CALLED UP... " 50,00,000
RESERVE FUND......... " 3,00,000

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## BANKS.

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PAID UP CAPITAL......... £ 1,000,000
RESERVE FUND............ £ 850,000

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Rangoon,
Mandalay,
Colombo,
Kandy,
Newara-Eliya,
Aden (Camp.)
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Kobe
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Lyons
Fengtien (Mukden)
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Bombay, 26th Dec., 1911.

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| Do. | Dep. 1-31 | Do. | Dep. 21-36 |
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| Do. | Dep. 7- 1 | Do. | Dep. 23-13 |
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| Do. | Dep. 10-45 | Do. | Dep. 8-46 |
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FREDERICK W. HANSON,
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Bombay, 15th December, 1911.

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AUCTION SALE OF VALUABLE LANDED PROPERTIES, situated at Girgaum Road and Girgaum Back Road.

Under instructions from R. D. Sethna, Esquire, Official Assignee and Assignee of the Estate and effects of Hajee Jan Mahomed Hajee Mahomed and adjudged insolvent and with the consent and concurrence of the Hon. Mr. Lallubhai Samaldas the first equitable mortgagee and of Mr. Haji Jackeria Haji Ahmed Patel, the 2nd mortgagee, Messrs. MENESSE and Co. will sell by Public Auction on the premises on WEDNESDAY, the 17th January, 1912, at 4-30 p. m. in one lot the undermentioned landed properties:—

Firstly.—All that piece or parcel of land or ground together with the messuage tenement dwelling house or a bungalow standing thereon situate lying and being at Girgaum Road without the Fort and in the island of Bombay in the Registration Sub-district of Bombay and the said land is registered in the Books of the Collector of Land Revenue under Old No. 211 New No. 1649 Old Survey No 613, New Survey No. 7956 and the said messuage is assessed by the Collector of Municipal taxes under Ward No. 471 Street No. 471 Street No. 853 and bounded as follows:—On or towards the East by the property of Bhaskar Sewram West by the Girgaum Road North by the Girgaum Back Road South by the property secondly described.

Secondly.—All that piece or parcel of land or ground together with the messuage tenement or dwelling house or a bungalow standing thereon situate lying and being on the Girgaum Back Road without the Fort and in the island of Bombay in the Registration Sub-district of Bombay and the said land is registered in the Books of the Collector of Land Revenue under Old No. 211 New 1649 Old Survey No. 613 New Survey No. 7956 and the said messuage is assessed by the Collector of Municipal taxes under Ward No. 1463 Street No. 290 and bounded as follows:—On or towards the East by the property of Bhasker Sewram West by the Girgaum Road, North by the above firstly described property and on the South by the sweeper's passage and which said two pieces of land firstly and secondly described contain together by admeasurement 584 square yards or thereabouts.

For further particulars and conditions of sale apply to the vendor's attorneys Messrs. Payne and Co. at their office No. 18, Esplanade Road or to the Undersigned.

MENESSE & Co.

Bombay, 28th December, 1911.

### CRAWFORD & COMPANY, No. 16, APOLLO STREET.

BONA-FIDE SALE.

TO-MORROW, FRIDAY, the 29th inst, at 2-30 (S. T.), Messrs. CRAWFORD & Co. are instructed to sell by Public Auction, at 2nd floor, "Rachel Lodge," Merewether Road, next to Taj Mahal Hotel, Apollo Bunder, the valuable and elegant French-polished teakwood and blackwood household furniture by Robert Breslaur, Ahmed Dewji and others, glassware, crockeryware, platedware, electric 3 light lamp, set of sliding dining table, chairs, mirror back sideboard, dinner waggons and dumbwaiters, American refrigator, ice-box, drawing room sofas, chairs and Chesterfield easy chairs, cabinets, writing card, dressing and washhand and centre tables, English single bedsteads complete, elegant mirror and panelled door almyrahs, chest of drawers, engravings and oil pictures, first rate ebonized semi-grand concert piano by Bluthner, &c. The property of J. Schulmann, Esq.

Catalogues are published and the property is on view.

CRAWFORD & Co.

Bombay, 28th December, 1911.

### J. S. MODY AND COMPANY, AUCTIONEERS AND COMMISSION AGENTS, 24-26 Bank Street, Fort.

SALE ON FRIDAY 29th DECEMBER
GOOD OPPORTUNITY TO HOTELS, CLUBS, MERCHANTS, AND PRIVATE BUYERS.
AUCTION SALE of Consignments of Real Artistic English Semi-Porcelain, Majolica and Chinaware and English Jewellery.

TO-MORROW, FRIDAY, the 29th instant at 2-30 p. m. (S. T.) Messrs. J. S. MODY and Co. are instructed to sell by Public Auction in Meadows Street, Fort opposite Treachers and next to King and Co. by order of the concerned, consignment of real English artistic semi-porcelain, Majolica and Chinaware consisting of real English hand painted gilt and, colored flowered dinner sets for 6 and 12 persons tea-sets, breakfast sets, dessert sets, washhand and toilet sets, flower pots, pedestals flower vases, hanging pots, milk jugs, bacon dishes, butter dishes, biscuit boxes, sardine boxes, egg and cruet stands, cheese stands, coffee pots, celery trays etc., etc.

Also a parcel of English gem set jewellery such as gold gem set and signet rings, necklaces, silver cigar cases, brushes etc., etc.

The property is on view.

J. S. MODY & CO.

Bombay, 28th December, 1911.

### BENNETT & COMPANY, No. 22, APOLLO STREET.

AUCTION SALE of Unclaimed Goods, Sweepings, etc., at the G. I. P. Railway, Wari Bunder.

In accordance with Section 55 and 56 of the Railway Act 9 of 1890, and under instructions from the G. I. P. Railway, Messrs. BENNETT and Co., will, THIS DAY THURSDAY, the 28th instant, at 2-30 p. m., (S. T.), sell by Public Auction, at the abovementioned place, a quantity of unclaimed goods, grain and seeds in bags, cotton seed in bags, linseed, tilly, jwari, wheat, harda and castorseed in bags, empty drums, iron bars, bundles of wooden plants, bundle of zinc sheets, iron pipe, bundle of bagging, box of knives, tins of oil, empty casks, drum of oil, bags of sugar, bundles of picking cotton, lot of old records, steel hoops and bands, lot of condemned sheets, heaps of sweeping grains, etc., etc.

BENNETT & Co.

Bombay, 28th December, 1911.

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# DAILY MARKET REPORT.

## LONDON MARKETS

LONDON, DEC. 26.] [BOMBAY, DEC. 27.

London market closed.

### FINANCIAL.

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.

| | |
|---|---|
| Bar Silver in New York... | ... 54 1-2—1-2 |
| Exchange on London at New York | 4·86 1-4 unchgd |

### COTTON.

LIVERPOOL, Dec. 26.

Liverpool market closed.

New York official noon call Jan. 8·70 May 8·98.

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.

| | | Bales. |
|---|---|---|
| 4 Days' Receipts at all U. S. Ports | | ...133,000 |
| Do. do do | last year | ...134,000 |
| Exports to Great Britain | ... | ... 45,000 |
| Exports to Continent ... | ... | ...131,050 |
| Spot Cotton... ... | ... | 9·40—10 |

Futures—Month of Jan. 8·75—01
Futures—Month of May 9·03+01
Declined on Commission house liquidation and advanced partially on covering.

NEW ORLEANS—

| | |
|---|---|
| Spot Cotton | ... 9 1-3 unchgd |
| Futures—Month of Jan. | ... 8 93 unchgd |
| Do. do May | ... 9·11 unchgd |
| Tone of Spot Cotton | ... Steady. |

### MISCELLANEOUS.

COFFEE—

In New York Fair Rio (No. 7 quality) ... ... ... ... 14 1-2 unchgd

## BOMBAY MARKETS.

WEDNESDAY EVENING.] [27th DEC. 1911

### IMPORTS OF TREASURE.

| Packages. | Value. | From | Importers |
|---|---|---|---|
| | Rs. | | |
| 3 Boxes Bullions | 2,47,088 | Freemantle | Chartered Bank |
| 20 Boxes Sovs .. | 15,00,000 | do | do |
| 5 do do | 3,75,000 | Sydney | do |
| 10 do do | 7,50,000 | do | Eastern Bank |
| 18 do do | 13,50,000 | Adelaide | National Bank |
| 2 Boxes Bullions | 1,51,296 | Freemantle | do |

### EXPORTS OF BAR SILVER FROM BOMBAY BY RAIL on 23rd, 24th and 25th Dec., 1911.

| By | Bars | Ounces |
|---|---|---|
| G I P Railway ............ | 58 | 66,281 |
| B B and C I Railway ... | 65 | 76,525 |

### FINANCIAL.

**MONEY:—**

The Cash Balance of the Bank of Bombay is 67 lakhs down.

**EXCHANGE:—**

The market, on reopening this morning after the Christmas holidays, was firm, rates being 1s. 4 3-32d. T. T., 1s. 4 1-8d. on Demand and 1s. 4 11-32d. for 3 months' sight credits. There has not been much business doing. Far Eastern rates are steady.

We quote:—

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| T. T. on London | ...1s. 4 3-32d. | |
| Demand Draft | ...1s. 4 1-8d. | |
| Credits 3 months' sight | ...1s. 4 11-32d. | |
| Do. do forward | ...1s. 4 5-16d. | Feb. |
| Do. do France | ...171 1-2 | |
| Do. do Marks | ...139 1-2 | |
| Hongkong 60 days' sight | ...136 3-4 | |
| Shanghai „ | ...131 1-2 | |
| Japan „ | ...150 | |

**GOVERNMENT PAPER:—**

The market opened quiet at 96 1-4 for Cash and 96 3-16 for the Settlement. Only a small business is reported and at the close rates are unchanged as under.

We quote:—

| | |
|---|---|
| Cash ... ... ... | Rs. 96 4 0 |
| 1st Settlement... ... | „ 96 3 0 |
| 2nd „ ... ... | „ 96 0 0 to 96 1 0 |

**BULLION:—**

The local market is quiet but steady, the rate for ready bars opening at 63 1-2 ex duty at which only a small business has been done, the market closing unchanged as under. Bar Gold is steady.

We quote:—

| | |
|---|---|
| English Bar Gold ... ... | Rs 23 15 0 |
| Australian „ ... ... | „ 23 15 0 |
| Sovereigns „ ... ... | „ 15 0 0 |
| Silver Ready ex-duty ... | „ 63 8 0 |
| „ 1st Settlement ... | „ 63 10 0 |
| „ 2nd Settlement ... | „ 63 11 0 |

### COTTON.

**MARKET REPORT:—**

Little business was done during the holidays, but the tone of the market has been very steady and prices this morning, on the reopening of the market, were higher all round, good Broach being quoted Rs. 253-4 and fine M. G. Khamgaon-Akola January Rs. 245. At Colaba the market was steadier, and good Broach touched Rs. 255. Little business was done in contracts as buyers were not inclined to follow the advance.

For ready cotton there was a fair enquiry and rates were steadier all round.

**QUOTATIONS:—**

NEW CROP.

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Good M G Broach ... ... | Rs. | 254 1-2 | March |
| Fine M G Wardha Hingunghat | „ | 252-3 | Jan. |
| Fine M G Nagpur ... ... | „ | 250-1 | „ |
| Fine M G Yeotmal ... ... | „ | 248-9 | „ |
| Fine M G Khamgaon-Akola... | „ | 246-7 | „ |
| Fine M G Khandeish ... | „ | 237 | „ |
| F. G. M. G. Khandeish ... | „ | 232 | „ |
| Fine M G Bengal ... ... | „ | 242 | „ |
| F. G. H. G. Bengal ... ... | „ | 228-9 | „ |

**LIVERPOOL OPENER:—**

| | |
|---|---|
| Opening Tone ... | ... Easy. |
| Estimated Sales ... | ... 8,000 bales |
| Total Imports ... | ... 11,000 „ |

**FUTURE DELIVERY PRICES:—**

| Dec.-Jan. | Jan.-Feb. | Feb.-Mar. | Mar.-April. |
|---|---|---|---|
| 4·84 | 4·84 | 4·86 | 4·87 |
| —05 | —05 | —05 | —05 |

| Apl.-May. | May-June | June-July. | July-Aug. | Aug.-Sept. |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 4·90 | 4·92 | 4·94 | 4·96 | 4·97 |
| —05 | —05 | —05 | —05 | —05 |

### SEEDS AND WHEAT.

**LINSEED:—**

The market is firm with a good enquiry.

We quote:—

| | |
|---|---|
| Ready ... | Rs. 12 2 0 B.T. |
| April.-May ... | „ 11 7 0 B.T. |

**RAPESEED:—**

The market is steadier. We Quote:—

| | |
|---|---|
| Brown Cawnpore ready... | „ 8 1 0 B.T. |
| Yellow Guzerat ready ... | „ 8 14 0 „ |
| Brown Delhi A.-M. ... | Rs. 8 4 0 B.T. |

**GINGELLYSEED:—**

Tone—Quiet but steady. We quote:—

| | |
|---|---|
| Bold White 85 p.c. ... | Rs. 11 9 0 B T |
| Ready White Gulburga ... | „ 55 8 0 |
| Red Jubbalpore ... | „ 50 8 0 |
| Black Kutni ... | „ 48 0 0 |

**POPPYSEED:—**

Tone—Firm. We quote:—

| | |
|---|---|
| Ready ... | Rs. 12 0 0 B. T. |

**CASTORSEED:—**

Tone—Steady. We quote:—

| | |
|---|---|
| Ready ... | Rs. 7 4 0 B.T. |
| Forward ... | „ 34 8 0 |

**COTTONSEED:—**

Tone—Steady. We quote:—

| | |
|---|---|
| Ready. | ...Rs 25 8 0 |

**MOWRASEED:—**

Tone—Quiet.

| | |
|---|---|
| Ready ... | Rs. 7 6 0 B. T. Nominal. |

**WHEAT:—**

The market is steady. We quote:—

| | |
|---|---|
| White Pissi ready 85 p.c. | Rs. 5 0 0 B. T. |
| „ Delhi A.-M. ... | „ 5 4 0 „ |

### SHARES.

#### BANKS.

| | |
|---|---|
| Bank of Bombay ... ... ... | 1,780 |
| Bank of India ... ... ... | 67 1-2 |
| Eastern Bank ... ... ... | 79 |
| Indian Specie ... ... ... | 50 1-4 |

#### MILLS.

| | |
|---|---|
| David ... ... ... ... | 416 1-4 |
| Kohinoor ... ... ... ... | 752 1-2 |
| Manockji Petit ... ... ... | 2,720 |
| New Great Eastern ... ... | 202 1-2 |
| Standard ... ... ... ... | 1,155 |

#### MISCELLANEOUS.

| | |
|---|---|
| Bombay E. S. & T. C. Ordinary ... | 152 |
| Bombay E. S. & T. C. Preference... | 177 1-2 |
| Colaba Land and Mill ... ... | 1 222 1-2 |
| Shivrajpur Mining Syndicate ... | 17 |
| Treacher & Co ... ... | 500 |

#### RAILWAYS.

| | |
|---|---|
| Central Provinces Railway ... | 37 1-2 |
| Tapti-Valley ... ... ... | 52 1-2 |

### DAY'S RECEIPTS.

The following are the receipts of Produce into Bombay during the 24 hours ending at 6 p.m., yesterday:—

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Cotton ... ... ... | 10,960 | bales |
| Wheat ... ... ... | 14,447 | cwts. |
| Linseed ... ... ... | 449 | „ |
| Rapeseed ... ... ... | 604 | „ |
| Gingellyseed ... ... | 23,714 | „ |
| Poppyseed ... ... ... | 144 | „ |
| Groundnuts... ... ... | 12,979 | „ |
| Castorseed ... ... ... | 7,048 | „ |
| Rice ... ... ... | 9,062 | „ |
| Myrabollams ... ... | 1,370 | „ |
| Cottonseed ... ... ... | 26,189 | „ |
| Mowraseed ... ... ... | 928 | „ |
| Gram ... ... ... | 7,728 | „ |
| Joowar ... ... ... | 2,215 | „ |
| Maize ... ... ... | 5,030 | „ |

## BANK OF BOMBAY

The following is the statement of the affairs of the Bank of Bombay for the week ended 22nd December 1911, as compared with the statement for the week ending 16th December 1911:—

| LIABILITIES. | Dec. 16. Rs. | Dec. 22. Rs. |
|---|---|---|
| Capital ............ | 1,00,00,000 | 1,00,00,000 |
| Reserve Fund ............ | 1,06,00,000 | 1,06,00,000 |
| Public Deposits at Head Office<br>Public Deposits at Branches ............ | 99,75,050 | 1,25,11,596 |
| Other Deposits ............ | 10,94,91,734 | 10,36,45 974 |
| Post Bills ............ | 2,507 | 2,507 |
| Sundries ............ | 28,52,142 | 28,66,123 |
| | 14,29,21,433 | 13,96,26,200 |
| ASSETS. | | |
| Government Securities ... | 2,07,92,880 | 2,06,62,629 |
| Other authorised Securities | 1,31,812 | 1,31,812 |
| Credits on Govt. and other authorised Securities ... | 1,11,33,016 | 1,19,10,331 |
| Loans do. do. ... | 2,88,06,699 | 3,03,27,949 |
| Bills discounted and purchased ............ | 2,53,38,955 | 2,61,83,578 |
| Dead Stock ............ | 2,50,950 | 2,50,996 |
| Stamps ............ | 7,157 | 7,415 |
| Bullion ............ | 7,13,261 | 6,98,405 |
| Balances with other Banks. | 11,36,341 | 15,39,453 |
| Sundries............ | 4,60,513 | 4,66,726 |
| Cash ............ | 5,41,44,849 | 4,74,46,906 |
| | 14,29,21,433 | 13,96,26,200 |

THE "Pioneer" states Lord Inchcape, Sir T. R. Wynne, President of Railway Board, and Mr. Brereton, Government Director of Guaranteed Railways, India Office, will proceed to Ceylon towards the end of January in connexion with the Indo-Ceylon Railway scheme.

ADVICE TO MOTHERS:—Are you broken in your rest by a sick child suffering with the pain of cutting teeth? Go at once to a chemist and get a bottle of MRS. WINSLOW'S SOOTHING SYRUP. It will relieve the poor sufferer immediately. It is perfectly harmless and pleasant to taste, it produces natural, quiet sleep, by relieving the child from pain, and the little cherub awakes "as bright as a button." It soothes the child, it softens the gums, allays all pain, relieves wind, regulates the bowels, and is the best known remedy for dysentery and diarrhœa, whether arising from teething or other causes. Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup is sold by Medicine dealers everywhere.

## DAILY EXPORTS.—DEC. 27.

FOR LIVERPOOL.

Circasia s—34 bales wool, W. A. Graham and Co.; 63 bales wool, E. Dossa and Co.; 35 bales wool, K. Khairaj; 19 bales wool, the Bombay Co.; 38 bales wool, M. Balia; 76 bales wool, M. Ramjidas; 17 bales wool, E. Shivji; 40 bales wool, M. Ratansi; 200 bales cotton, Gaddum and Co; 144 tons oil cakes A. Moritz and Co; 200 bales cotton-fly, C Peraj and Co.; 86 bales wool, David Sassoon and Co; 30 bales wool; M Balia; 89 bales wool, E D Sassoon and Co; 124 bales wool, B. Talockchand; 44 bales wool, M. Kundunmul; 19 bales wool and goat hair, E. D. Sassoon and Co.

FOR LONDON.

Maloja s—174 bales hide and skins, W & A. Graham and Co; 3 bales skins, H. A. Oomer; 200 cwts cashew nuts, Nusservanji Bros and Co.; 79 cwts fishmaws. A Husein and Co; 25 cwts fishmaws, J. M. Rahimtoola; 37 1-2 cwts mica, James Mackintosh and Co; 1 bales hides, N. Cassum, 50 bales hemp, D. M. Doongaji and Co; 60 cwts condiments, Merwanji Poonjiaji and Sons; 1700 cwts gram, Ralli Bros; 41 bales hides and skins, R. M. Kooka; 520 cwts myrabollams, S. Vallubhdas and Co; 85 bales hides and skins E. D. Sassoon and Co; 2,000 cwts maize, 6,000 cwts gram and 3,000 cwts cottonseed, Ralli Bros; 30 bales hemp, Kiddle Reeve and Co.

FOR MARSEILLES.

Circassia s—2,000 cwts castorseed Louis Dreyfus and Co; 4940 cwts gingellyseed, J. Fachiri.

FOR NEW YORK.

Maloja s—6 bales carpets, Thos. Cook and Sons.

Astertum s—500 cwts mustardseed, Volkart Bros; 330 cwts capsicum Nusserwanji Bros and Co. 812 cwts capsicum, 26 cwts pista, and 350 cwts cashewnuts, M. Jafferbhoy, 100 cwts cashewnuts, J. Fachiry.

FOR HULL.

Ardgarroch s—14,000 cwts cottonseed, Ralli Bros; 11,250 cwts cottonseed and 1034 cwts castorseed, L. Pragji; 2850 cwts cottonseed A. Khimji.

Peebles s—7,628 cwts cottonseed and 350 cwts myrabollams, A Khimji.

FOR HAVRE.

Hurst s—220 bales cotton, The Bombay Co.; 1,000 cwts linseed and 2,000 cwts groundnuts, Louis Dreyfus and Co; 4,082 cwts and 996 cwts rapeseed maize, M Vulubhdas; 200 cwts mustardseed, Volkart Bros; 400 cwts mustardseed, A Blascheck and Co, 2,148 cwts mustardseed and 201 cwts cashewuts, J Facheri; 105 cwts gums and 100 cwts cashewnuts, M Jafferbhoy; 155 bales cotton, Priwer Saone and Co; 1,000 cwts rapeseed Volkart Bros; 200 cwts cashewnuts, R Jivandas and Co; 2,000 cwts gram, Ralli Bros.

FOR DUNKIRK.

Hurst s—1,000 cwts rapeseed, J Fachire; 6,498 cwts groundnuts Ralli Bros.

FOR GLASGOW.

Circassia s—162 cwts myrabollams, A Khimji.

FOR HAMBURG.

Rabenfels s—275 bales cotton fly, K Visram and Co; 350 cwts bone sinews. E O Nanji; 1,000 cwts myrabollams, P Mathoordas and Co; 37 1-2 cwts olibanum, S Cooverjee & Co: 240 cwts cattle horns, Hollinghurst and Co; 55 bales cotton, M Jethabhai and Co, 54 bales hides, Nizamuddin and Co; 550 bales cotton, M Nathoobhoy and Co; 200 bales cottonfly, J C Tadiwalla; 150 cwts dairy produce, A C Kohler; 660 cwts wheatbran, H A Esmail; 105 cwts gum, G Sojpal; 102 cwts gum, R Damji and Co; 105 cwts, kang, Baner and Krause; 110 bales cotton, A Blascheck and Co, 100 cwts cashewnuts, S M Kirtikar and Co; 230 bales cotton fly and waste, C Peraj and Co.

FOR BREMEN.

Rabenfels s—4,000 cwts gingellyseed, Louis Dreyfus and Co; 4,002 cwt gingellyseed, J Facheri.

FOR GENOA.

Sabara s—4,000 cwt gingellyseed, Louis Dreyfus and Co; 450 bales cotton, M Jethabhai and Co; 200 bales cotton, A Blascheck; 2,000 cwt gingellyseed and 1,000 cwt linseed, K Devchand and Co; 1,001 cwt groundnuts, 1,001 cwt linseed, 2,001 cwt castorseed, 101 cwt teelseed, C Boggeano and Co; 200 bales cotton, Walter Pavri and Co; 300 tons old iron, G Khimji and Go.; 500 tons old iron, T Hakimji; 10,000 cwt teelseed, Ralli Bros; 6,000 cwt gingellyseed and 2,000 cwt rapeseed, Volkart Bros; 2,090 cwt gingelyseed and 1,000 cwt linseed, K Devchand and Co.

FOR TRIESTE.

Koerber s—20 bales cotton, A Blascheck and Co 2,000 cwt gingellyseed, L Dreyfus and Co; 58 bales cotton, Ralli Bros; 110 bales cotton, Gaddum and Co; 1,000 cwt gingellyseed, J Facheri.

Marquis Bacquehem s—2,000 cwts gingellyseed, K Devchand and Co; 1,500 cwt teelseed Ralli Bros.

FOR VENICE.

Koerber s—400 bales cotton, M Jethabhai and Co 1,001 cwt linseed, A Blascheck and Co; 150 bales cotton, K Visram and Co.

FOR PORTSAID (for order).

Westburn s—2,000 cwt cottonseed, Ralli Bros.

FOR MOSTYNDEEP.

Avala s—5,300 tons manganese ore, Turner Morrison and Co.

FOR HONGKONG.

Arcadia s—87 1-2 cwts sharkfins, M J Joomabhoy and Co; 87 1-2 cwts sharkfins, S Esmail and Co; 250 bales twist, C Bomanji and Co; 300 bales cotton, W Wolf and Sons; 100 bale, twist, E D Sassoon and Co; 200 bales twists M M Essabhoy.

Hakata Maru s—15 cwts sharkfins, J Mahomed; 75 bales twist, The M B Kaisha.

FOR SHANGHAI.

Arcadia s—500 bales twist, Tata Sons and Co; 200 bales twist, M M Essabhoy.

FOR KOBE.

Hakata Maru s—450 bales cotton, The Japan Cotton Trading and Co; 1 bale cotton, B N Ginwalla and Co; 106 bales cotton, Ralli Bros.

Arcadia s—100 bales cotton, H N Madraswalla and Co.

FOR OSAKA.

Hakata Maru s—150 bales cotton, The Japan Cotton Trading Co; 56 bales cotton, N W Kaisha; 00 bales cotton, Ralli Bros.

FOR MOJI.

Hakata Maru s—1,200 bales cotton, Volkart Bros.

## HANDLOOM INDUSTRY IN BOMBAY.

A Government resolution regarding the handloom industry in Bombay stated:—

The Governor in Council desires that the practical demonstration of the work of improved looms should be arranged for on a more extended scale than has hitherto been possible. The Governor in Council wished that as soon as arrangements can be made to obtain trained teachers a small weaving school should be started in each of the following districts:—Dharwar, Nasik, Bijapur, Ahmednagar and East Khandesh. The Committee of the Victoria Jubilee Technical Institute having agreed to the erection of a special building in the compound of the Institute, for starting a hand-loom weaving department and inaugurating a series of experiments in warping and sizing Government have sanctioned a grant of Rs. 7,500 for the erection of the building and a recurring grant of Rs. 2,000 per annum to meet the cost of working the new department. The latter is expected to start work next January.

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## DOMESTIC OCCURRENCES.

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### OTHER PRESIDENCIES.

BIRTH.

REILLY—December 10, at Debra Dun, U P, the wife of S G Reilly, District Engineer, G I P Railway, of a daughter.

# BOMBAY.

### TO-DAY.

Excelsior Cinematograph Novelty Theatre, Special Attractions.—"The Imperial Durbar." Four shows nightly, 5-30 to 6-45, 7 to 8, 8-30 to 9-30, 10 to 11 p.m. Exhibition Cinematograph, continuous performance.

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Maxim: "Be ready to adopt new ideas."

### ENGLISH MAILS.

ARRIVAL.

The P. and O. Company's s.s. "Salsette," with the English mails of the 15th instant, left Aden at 3 p.m., on Monday, and is expected to arrive in Bombay harbour at 6 p.m., to-morrow.

DEPARTURE.

The P. and O. Co.'s mail steamer "Maloja" leaves Bombay harbour at 2-39 p.m., on Saturday.

GIRL BURNED TO DEATH.—Chubibai (14), a Hindu girl was extensively burned about her body, while sitting near a fireplace in her house. She was treated at home, but she died in a few hours.

FATAL TRAM ACCIDENT.—Dowlatbai, a Parsi woman, was reported yesterday to have died from tetanus at the J. J. Hospital in consequence of serious injuries received by her, while attempting to alight from a tram car in motion.

SERIOUS ACCIDENT TO A LABOURER.—A side of the excavation of a house, under construction in Syed Mukri Street, fell on a labourer Ambaji Limbaji, and fractured his collar bone. He was removed to hospital, where he has been detained for treatment.

FIRE ON A STEAMER.—Yesterday afternoon shortly after three o'clock a fire broke out in a heap of cotton-waste in the stock-hold of a ship in the dock. On an alarm being raised the dockyard fire appliances were brought on the spot and the fire was immediately extinguished.

USEFUL OFFICE ADJUNCTS.—We have received from the Commercial Printing Press their Calendar, Diary and Blotting Pad for the year 1912. The calendar is of suitable size for an office table and is tastefully got up while the blotting pad is always a useful article. The diary which is artistically bound in red and well painted, in addition to a calendar and memoranda space, contains a page for every day in the year.

DAIVADNYA CONFERENCE.—A dinner of the Parishad was held under the Presidency of Mr. Vithal Dadaji Satghare B. A. LL.B., at Grant Road near Sunkershet Temple, It was largely attended, some ladies being present. The dinner ceremony was opened with a hymn for the long life and prosperity of their Imperial Majesties the King and Queen Empress sung by the Committee's Chairman, Mr. Janardhan Krishnarao Vagal, to the accompaniment of native music.

CORONER'S INQUEST.—The Coroner Mr. E. T. Lambert held an inquest touching the death of Fakir Mahomed Mahomedkhan, a Mahomedan aged about twenty-five, a coal trimmer on the s. s. "Maloja." The deceased had a quarrel with two Pathans, who were seen following him before he was found injured on Christmas evening near the tram track at Grant Road. Further inquiry was adjourned after the evidence of identification had been led.

BAND AT THE PRINCESS GYMKHANA.—By kind permission of Lieut.-Colonel T. W. Bonner, V. D., and Officers, the Band of the 1st Battn., G. I. P. Ry Volunteers, will play the following programme of music, under the direction of Mr. A. Mallandaine, Bandmaster, commencing at 6 p.m., to-day:—

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| March ........ | Bavarda.................... | Starke |
| Grand Finale... | Ariels....................... | Bach |
| a Reverie (Cornet Solo) ... | Sognai .......................... | Shirer |
| b Bolero ....... | Petit ... ..................... | Ravina |
| Selection...... | The Gondoliers.................. | Sullivan |
| Grand Valse... | Brilliante ...................... | Chopin |
| Selection ...... | Dear Little Denmark...... | Rubens |
| Spanish Serenade ......... | La Paloma .................. | Yradier |

POSTAL NOTICES.—Owing to the late arrival of the inward English mail this week the departure of the Karachi mail steamer will be postponed until after the arrival in harbour of the s. s. "Salsette". The Karachi, Sind and Persian Gulf mails will not be closed at the Bombay General Post Office until one p.m. to-morrow, Friday.—Mails for Ceylon, Singapore, China, Japan and Australia per s.s. "Nera" will be closed at the General Post Office at 2-30 p.m. on Saturday the 30th instant.—Mails for Seychelles, Mombasa, Zanzibar, Mozambique, Beira and L. Marques per extra s.s. "Pentakota" will be closed at the General Post Office at 1 p.m. on Saturday the 30th instant instead of as previously notified. Correspondence for Natal, Cape Colony and other places in South Africa will also be forwarded by this steamer.

## OLD BOMBAY EXHIBITION.

On Wednesday afternoon in the Stadium at the Old Bombay Exhibition a varied programme of sports was gone through. The final was run off of the half-mile flat race for schoolboys and resulted as follows:—G. D. Patel (Sir J. J. P. B. Institute) 1; R. Murray (Byculla School) 2; N. J. Narsang (Sir J. J. P. B. Institute) 3. The horse jumping competition open to Indian officers resulted in a tie which will be run off on subsequent day, Duffedars Fateh Mahomed and Sunder Singh, and Sowar Malak Mahomed, all of the Governor's Bodyguard, gaining an equal number of points. The first two of six runs for the open horse jumping event were run. Only a small field competed, but some neat and clean jumping was seen. So far Lieut. Barney's grey is leading with Mr. E. G. Pearson's Buccaneer second. During the afternoon in one of the many heats in the 100 yards flat race Lce.-Corpl. Howard covered the distance in the excellent time, considering the state of the ground, of 10 1-5 seconds. The Balaclava Melee (British Army) final has resulted in a victory for the No. 1 team of "C" Squadron of the 7th Dragoon Guards, with No. 2 team from "D" Squadron of the same regiment second.

Owing to the troops being required for duty the mimic battle by the Royal Warwickshire Regiment, will not take place this evening. Instead, a performance will be given by the 27th Cavalry.

### VISIT BY THE SEVA SADAN.

The varied allurements of the Exhibition seem to have their influence on the entire population of the city, quite irrespective of creed, caste, position or age. Yesterday afternoon the Pleasure City was visited by a party of widows and children from the Seva Sadan Society, who emerging from the quiet restfulness of their beautiful home, threw themselves strenuously into the hilarious enjoyments of the Exhibition's many amusement devices. The party was specially conducted, and an "open sesame" to all the side shows was provided by the Management. The Himalayan Railway was essayed, nor did age ban the Joy Wheel, where laughter rose and fell continuously as one after another—but there!—why labor the point? A visit to the Stadium concluded an afternoon's entertainment which had cheered many hearts, and won vigorous applause from the smiling participants.

## MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATION.

### Review by Standing Committee.

A MEETING of the Standing Committee of the Bombay Municipal Corporation was held yesterday afternoon, Mr. Piroze C. Sethna presiding.

Consideration was given to a memorandum from the Municipal Commissioner forwarding a statement showing the consumption and storage of water in the Municipal lakes.

As some members were desirous of obtaining explanation from the hydraulic engineer, Mr. Trevess Smith was present at the meeting.

Mr. Kavasji Jehangir desired to know why there was a constant complaint of water in the Fort?

Mr. Trevess Smith wanted to know what the complaint was.

Mr. Readymoney said that the complaint was that people living on the upper floors did not get water.

Mr. Trevess Smith replied that the cause of the complaint was that people living on the lower floors consumed more water and hence the people on the upper floors could not have it.

Mr. Readymoney: But cannot this be remedied.

Mr. Trevess Smith: Yes, if hand pumps are used.

Mr. Smith then explained that at present the water supplied to the Fort was from the Malabar reservoir. He would not give it from Tansa as it would mean a loss of six hundred thousand gallons of water per day.

Dr. Sukhia: But if it was allowed for one hour only, then?

Mr. Trevess Smith: Even then it meant an absolute loss of two hundred thousand gallons to the city.

The memorandum was recorded.

### REVIEW OF THE ADMINISTRATION.

The Secretary submitted for consideration the draft review of the administration report of the Municipal Commissioner for the city of Bombay for the year 1910-11.

The following are the excerpts from the draft review:

Dr. Kavasji Edalji Dadachanji was President of the Corporation and the Hon'ble Mr. Fazulbhoy Currimbhoy Ebrahim, Chairman of the Standing Committee for the year. 53 Meetings were held by the Corporation and 52 by the Standing Committee. There were besides 108 Meetings of Committees of the Corporation and 53 Meetings of Sub-Committees of the Standing Committee. Mr. W. D. Sheppard, C. I. E., I. C. S., held the office of Municipal Commissioner for the City of Bombay upto the 6th May 1910, when he proceeded on privilege leave combined with furlough. Mr. P. R. Cadell, I. C. S. who was appointed to the post, held office till the close of the year.

### FINANCIAL.

The general financial position of the Corporation continues to be satisfactory. The net result of the transactions for the year was a surplus of Rs. 9,14,277, and the year closed with a Working Cash Balance of Rs. 31,49,323 against Rs. 21,96,540 with which it opened. Included in this balance is a sum of Rs. 6,61,178 reserved for renewal of lapsed grants for the previous years so that the actual Surplus Cash Balance at the close of the year amounted to Rs. 24,88,146 against Rs. 16,28,586 of the previous year. Excluding from this balance the sum of Rs. 8,65,000 reserved for payment to the City Improvement Trust and Rs. 1,00,000 required to be reserved under the Municipal Act, the real Cash Balance unhypothecated to any purpose amounted at the close of the year to Rs. 15,23,146 against Rs. 6,93,586. This shows a very considerable increase over what was expected to be realized during the pendency of the year, having exceeded the original estimate by Rs. 12,47,395 and the revised estimate by Rs. 4,84,531, due to a further substantial rise in the annually growing revenues of the Municipality as well as savings in the anticipated expenditure for the year. The assets exceeded the liabilities by Rs. 2,46,20,193, aggregating Rs. 8,36,86,871 against the gross liability of Rs. 5,90,66,678. With this substantial balance in favour of the assets, which marks an increase of Rs. 20,10,954 on the preceding year, and an appreciable reserve in the taxing capacity of the Municipality the financial stability of the Municipality is unquestionably assured. In view of the shrinkage of cash balances in the preceding years and the steady rise in expenditure, the General Tax had to be enhanced from 9 1-8 per cent, to 10 1-8 per cent and the Fire Tax from 3-8 per cent to 1-2 per cent on rateable value giving a total of 10 5 8 per cent against the rate of 9 1-2 per cent in the previous year. The Water Tax, on the other hand, was reduced from 3 1-2 per cent. on valuation to 3 3-8 per cent. and the rates for water supplied to the Railways and the Port Trust were further reduced from annas 9 to annas 6 1-2 per 1,000 gallons, so as to restore an equilibrium between the actual receipts from and expenditure on the Water Works as required by the Municipal Act. The Town Duty on grain had also to be increased from annas 4 to the maximum of annas 6 per candy and the duty on firewood was imposed at the rate of annas 2 per candy. The original Budget Estimate of Income was Rs. 1,17,45,000. This was, however, exceeded by Rs. 4,51,149, giving a total income of Rs. 1,21,96,149 against Rs. 1,12,13,864 in the previous year. The principal items accounting for these variations between the estimates and the actuals are the following:—

(1) Increase of Rs. 1,23,583 in the receipts under "Taxation Proper," mainly due to increased receipts from Town Duties owing to large imports of sugar at the close of the financial year; (2) increase of Rs. 55,327 in the receipts from the Water Tax due to defective information available at the Budget time; (3) increase of Rs. 2,61,288 under "Returns from Property and Miscellaneous" mainly accounted for by the unforeseen realization of Rs. 58,285 in respect of sale of Municipal land at Agripada and Connaught Road in connection with a Police Accommodation Scheme, of Rs. 80,961 under "Interest and Investments of Surplus Loan and Other Balances" owing to large increases in Income with reduced revenue expenditure and slow progress of loan works for which funds had been provided and of Rs. 52,615 paid to the Municipality from the credit balance outstanding in the Improvement Trust General Account. The population of Bombay according to the Census returns of 1911 was 9,72,930. Calculated on this basis the incidence of taxation rose from Rs. 9-14-2 in the previous year to 10-12-1 in the year of report.

Against the record figure of Rs. 1,13, 97,050 for the past year, the total expenditure for the year amounted to Rs. 1,12,81, 871, showing a net decrease of Rs. 1,15,179. Small as it is, this setback, following on the unprecedented and uninterrupted additions to the recurring outlay for a series of years, is very gratifying. There were pronounced increases of Rs. 2,30,384 under Debt, of Rs. 121, 981 under Primary Education, and of Rs. 55,000 and 53,300, respectively, under Contribution to the City Improvement Trust and Rebate payable to the Trust under Section 73 of the Trust Act, but these were counterbalanced by substantial reductions in the expenditure on the Health Department amounting to Rs. 2,75,370 and in the expenditure in respect of grain compensation and local allowances aggregating Rs 2,14,118. Making allowances for casual and non-recurring increases or decreases, the Chief Accountant computes the permanent increase in expenditure at Rs. 4,09,000.

### PUBLIC WORKS.

The new works carried out by the General Branch of the Executive Engineer's Department were mostly of a minor character. Out of 60 sanctioned new works, 40 works were in progress at the close of the year and 20 were not proceeded with at all for various reasons. The school buildings at the junction of Kumbharwada and Sandhurst Road and at Old Nagpada Memonwada Road were practically completed and the work of filling in the Babula Tank was nearing completion. The Committee trust the work of constructing a new Market at Chaupati, for which a grant of Rs. 17,000 was originally sanctioned under Corporation Resolution No. 2177, dated 11th June 1896, will now be pushed forward. A site for the Market has already been selected and its requisition has been sanctioned, under Corporation Resolution No. 3298, dated the 27th August 1910.

### DRAINAGE.

The engines and pumps at the Love Grove Pumping Station and the machinery at the Colaba and Love Grove Air Compressor Stations and the several Ejector Stations worked satisfactorily. During the previous year considerable trouble was experienced in keeping in order the pump valves at the Love Grove Pumping Station owing to the presence of kerosene oil in the sewage which caused rapid deterioration of the rubber faces of the valves. This has now almost ceased, due probably to the completion of the Port Trust pipe line from the old pier at Mody Bunder to the Sewree Bulk Oil Installation.

The work of laying an additional pipe sewer in Delisle Road north, an extra Ejector Station at the Delisle Road Level Crossing and larger ejectors in the Colaba Sub-Districts Nos. III and IV were completed during the year and are working satisfactorily. Very satisfactory progress was also made with the works to laying a new Ejector Station, diverting the old sewage main and pipe sewers and laying new pipe sewers and constructing storm-water drains in connection with the New Elphinstone Road Overbridge. All the storm-water drains have been laid, the new sewers completed and the Tubbing and the Ejectors installed. The diversion of the sealed sewage main was, however, abandoned as a new sealed sewage main has been laid from the new Ejector Station direct to the head of the gravitating sewer in Worli Road. Satisfactory progress was also made in connection with the Surface Drainage of high lands and the portion of the storm-water drain from Reay Road to Lakri Bunder has been completed in the present year. The work on the construction of the Condensing Tank at Love Grove was finished and the works in connection with the provision of screening and detritus chambers and foundations of the new Engine House at Love Grove were in progress at the close of the year. The steam-driven air compressor engines were converted into electrically driven compressors with a power supply from the Bombay Electric Supply and Tramways Company's mains.

### WATER WORKS.

The Corporation having resolved that the Water Department should be placed in sole charge of an expert Hydraulic Engineer under the immediate orders of the Commissioner, and Government having expressed their willingness to undertake legislation for the amendment of the Municipal Act so as to admit of the appointment of Water Engineer being regulated by the same provisions of law as those applicable to the Executive Health Officer and Executive Engineer, applications were invited for the post and Mr. H. J. Trevess Smith, A.M. I.C.E., M.I.M.E., District Engineer to the Corporation of Calcutta, was recommended for the appointment by a Committee of the Corporation. Owing, however, to the unexpected delay that took place in connection with the proposed amendment a new office of Water Engineer (in lieu of the office of Deputy Executive Engineer Water Works), on a salary of Rs. 1,200 per mensem was created until such time as legislative effect was given to the proposal made by the Corporation for the amendment of the Act and Mr. Trevess Smith was appointed to the post with effect from the 5th September 1910.

During the year the Water Works were maintained in an efficient state. The water-proofing works at the Bhandárwada Reservoir, commenced in the year 1907, were in progress throughout the year and were well-nigh completed. The results of the operations are reported to have shown a marked improvement in the Mazagon locality. All streams and springs round the foot of the hill have now dried up, indicating that there is now practically no leakage from the reservoir.

The work of laying additional water mains in various parts of City was continued during the year. The Commissioner thinks it necessary to point out that with the increasing demand for water and the dangerously small margin for effective use from Vehar, the duplication of the Tansa supply cannot be longer postponed. The question has been under the consideration of a Committee of the Corporation since the year 1906. That Committee has been awaiting a final report from the Commissioner on the subject and it is hoped the matter will now be expedited.

### STREETS AND BUILDINGS.

3,227 building applications were received, showing an increase of 27 as compared with the number of applications received during the year 1909-10, but the decrease of 602 compared with the returns for the year 1908-09, revealing, as was stated in the Committee's last review, considerable relaxation in the building activity of the City. 417 notices were issued for the removal of unsafe buildings. Of these 353 were complied with, in 8 cases structures were removed by the Municipality and 56 cases were pending at the close of the year. There were 12 collapses of buildings resulting in the death of one person and injury to two.

The year witnessed considerable activity in strengthening the Fire Brigade. The Bhuleshwar Fire Brigade Station was reconstructed and opened in January 1911 and a Motor Steam Fire Engine and a 75 foot fire escape are also located at the station. The system of communication by telephone has been greatly improved. A Central Switch Board has been located at the Byculla Fire Brigade Station to which all fire stations are separately attached and direct communications have been made with the Water Works Department. Proposals for the provision of Street Fire Alarms were placed before the Corporation by the Commissioner and are now under the consideration of a Committee of the Corporation. The Brigade was maintained in a state of efficiency throughout the year which was a remarkably successful one from the point of view of fire protection. There were 123 calls to fires of which only 6 proved to be false alarms. It was also requisitioned in connection with 3 cases of fallen houses and extricated 11 persons from the debris, of whom 3 were found dead. The remaining 8 recovered after hospital treatment.

### PUBLIC GARDENS.

The year witnessed a further decline in the number of visitors at the Victoria Gardens which was 1,618,724 against 1,951,917 during the year previous, the decrease being due partly to the exodus of mill-hands owing to the closing of some of the mills, a visit to the gardens being a favourite means of recreation to this class and partly to a reduction in the number of musical performances at the Gardens consequent on the provision of music at the Band Stand Green, and partly also to the levy of admission fees, as an experimental measure, on alternate Wednesdays. Although the day selected was not suitable for business people the experiment shows an average attendance of 1,064 visitors and an income of Rs. 120 per diem. It is therefore proposed to continue the experiment and a proposal to reserve alternate Saturdays instead of Wednesdays for the levy of the fees has been sanctioned by the Corporation. The Band performances at the Esplanade Band Stand continue to be very popular.

Among the additions to the Zoo may be noted a pair of tigers and a lion acquired by purchase, a Llama born in the Garden, a Leopard cub presented by His Excellency Sir George Clarke, another by Messrs. Cowasji Dinshaw and Brothers of Aden, two cubs presented by Mrs. M. M. Crawford and three more cubs presented by Mr. J. L. Rieu, I. C. S. Owing to the outbreak of anthrax the Gardens lost a black Leopard, a Spotted Deer and two Antelopes.

### PRIMARY EDUCATION.

Fourteen new schools having been opened during the year of report, and one Gujerati school, opened in the previous year at Thakurdwar, having been closed for want of attendance, the Municipal Schools maintained by the Corporation numbered 127. The number of pupils who attended the schools rose from 11,559 to 13,255 during the twelve months previous. The aided schools numbered 112, being one less than in the previous year and the attendance at these schools was 11,661. The grant in-aid given to these schools amounted to Rs. 36,053 against Rs. 34,098 in the preceding year. The Committee's receipts for the year aggregated Rs. 3,61,150 against Rs. 2,37,630 and the expenditure rose from Rs. 2,88,202 to Rs. 3,30,891.

Very considerable progress has been made since the passing of the Police Charges Act of 1909. Not so satisfactory has been the progress in regard to the erection of School Buildings. Only two new buildings were nearly completed at the close of the year. The selection of suitable sites necessarily takes much time, but it may be hoped a more satisfactory progress will be recorded next year.

In conclusion, the Standing Committee congratulate the Commissioner, Mr. P. R. Cadell, I.C.S. on his successful administration of Municipal affairs during the year.

Sir Joseph Lyons states that the Strand Hotel Company is about to build in London, near Regent Street, what will be the largest hotel in Europe. It will have 1,000 bedrooms, superb lounges and reception-rooms, and the tariff will be on the popular lines on that of the Strand Palace Hotel. The Hotel Cecil, which is at present the largest hotel in London, has bed-room accommodation for 800 persons.

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## IPPING INTELLIGENCE.

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The steamer Harpanden, 2,201 tons, Captain A. Cromack sailed yesterday &c. Calcutta with last.

The steamer Badrie, 1,613 tons Captain B. B. t, arrived here yesterday from Jedah, Decem- 13 with 608 pilgrims.

The B. I. S. N. Company's steamer Linga 957 , Captain W. H. Rothwell arrived here yester- from Karachi and Coast ports with a general go and passengers.

The B. I. S. N. Co's steamer Dwarka, 759 tons, Captain W. Moxon, will sail to-day for Busreh &c., with a general cargo and passengers.

The B. I. S. N. Co's steamer Quermalea, 4,937 , Captain W. B. Smith will sail to-day for Calcutta with ballast.

### MEN-OF-WAR & ROYAL INDIAN MARINE SHIPS

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| H M S Medina | Capt A E M Chatfield | Royal Navy |
| H M S Defence | Capt H H Bruce | Royal Navy |
| H M S Cochrane | Capt W E Goodenough | Royal Navy |
| H M S Argyll | Capt M Culme-Seymour | Royal Navy |
| H M S Natal | Capt Clement Greatorex | R Navy |
| H M S Perseus | Comdr C P B Powell | R Navy |
| H M S Sphinx | Comdr John Harvey | Special Service steamer |
| R I M S Hardinge | Comdr Luck | Troopship |
| Dongola | Spicer | H Transport |
| R I M S Lawrence | Comdr de Burgh | R I Marine |

### VESSELS IN THE HARBOUR.—Dec. 27.

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| Avala | 2382 | Canham | Antwerp | | T M & Co |
| Badric | 1161 | Pigot | | | E Tajbhoy |
| Brazil'ana | 2438 | Snowdon | | 6-1-12 | T M & Co |
| Detmold | 2816 | Winter | | | |
| Firoozi | 2029 | Primrose | Karachi | 19-12 | B & P S N & Co |
| Gutenfels | 3501 | Franziers | | | W & A Graham & Co |
| Gallia | 555 | Wratz | repairing | | J Mackintosh & Co |
| Hymelties | 2395 | Wills | | | F & C & Co |
| Homayun | 2154 | Molony | | | B & P S N Co |
| Irishmere | 2326 | Hunter | | | T M & Co |
| Kasara | 504 | King | | | M M & Co |
| Kilkerran | 2413 | | | | W & A Graham & Co |
| Lindula | 2183 | Whytehead | Calcutta | | M M & Co |
| Linga | 951 | Rothwell | Karachi | 29-12 | M M & Co |
| Maloja | 6782 | Wiston | London | | P & O Co |
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| Wearbeck | 2416 | Shotton | | | T Morrison & Co |

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| Vessels. | Tons. | Capts. | Dest. | Date. | Agents. |
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| B City of Birmingham | 4838 | Dames | Karachi | 30-12 | K N & C |
| C&R Assaye | 4359 | Cockman | Shanghai | 31-1-12 | P & O Co |
| D&E Patha | 3958 | Elliott | Karachi | 29-12 | T M & Co |
| F Inchanga | 1340 | Boome | Karachi | 28-12 | K N & Co |
| G Naseri | 912 | Watson | P Gulf | 27-12 | B & P S N Co |
| H President | 2086 | Bremer | Zanzibar | 2-1-12 | A Strandes & Co |
| K Astorturm | 3152 | Gossman | Hamburg | 2-1-12 | W & A G & Co |
| M Umzumbi | 2138 | Rivios | London | 30-12 | W & A G & Co |
| N Westturm | 2013 | Hutchinson | Newport | 31-12 | W & A G & Co |
| O Caboto | 2826 | Schaffino | Calcutta | 27-12 | Venice S N Co |
| P Towergate | 2358 | Jackson | L'pool | 6-1-12 | W & A Graham & Co |
| Q Newbridge | 2397 | Wellett | Antwerp | 29-12 | W & A G & Co |
| VICTORIA DOCK. | | | | | |
| 1 Marq Bacquehem. | 2752 | Nicolich | Trieste | 28-12 | A L S N Co |
| 2 Circassia | 4328 | Osborne | L'pool | | W & A G & Co |
| 3 Peebles | 2732 | Wallace | Hull | 31-12 | W & A Graham & Co. |
| 4 Gramsbergen | 3117 | Goot | | | T Morrison & Co |
| 5 Koerber | 3164 | Foresto | Trieste | 1-1-12 | A L S N Co |
| 6 Hakata Maru | 3819 | Nomura | Kobe | 29-12 | N Y Kaisha |
| 8 Ardcarroch | 3160 | England | Hull | | K N & Co |
| 9 Rabenfels | 2893 | Heimer | Karachi | 30-12 | W & A Graham & Co |
| 10&11 Chyebassa | 3391 | Wadge | Ant. | 2-1-12 | M M & Co |
| 12&13 Persia | 4954 | Haughton | London | 13-1-12 | P & O Co |
| 15 Hurst | 2997 | Moody | Liverpool | 3-1-12 | W & A G & Co |
| 16 Dwarka | 759 | Moxon | Busreh | 28-12 | M M & Co |
| H W P D | | | | | |
| Sabarmati | 524 | Ahmed | Repairing | | Bo S N Co |
| Sarasvati | 443 | Ebram | | | Bo S N Co |
| Ponani | 552 | Fakira | B'nagar | 30-12 | B S N Co |
| Satrunji | 547 | Hoosein | N F | N F | B S N Co |
| M W D D | | | | | |
| Arcadia | 3513 | Barcham | London | 3-1-12 | P & O Co |
| Indravati | 573 | Ismail | N F | N F | Bo S N Co Ld |
| Netravati | 199 | Fakira | Repairing | N F | Bo S N Co Ld |
| Offside K | | | | | |
| Neilos | 757 | Cadon | (Repairing) | | The Arab M N Co |

### ARRIVALS.

| Dec. | Vessels | Commanders | From |
|---|---|---|---|
| 27 | Badru | Pigot | Jedah, Dec 13 |
| | Linga | Rothwell | Karachi, Dec 26 |

### DEPARTURES.

| Dec. | Vessels. | Commanders. | Destination. |
|---|---|---|---|
| 27 | Caboto | Schiaffino | Calcutta, &c |
| | Nippon | Tarabochia | Kobe, &c |
| | Pandua | Whytehead | Busreh, &c |
| | Harpenden | Cromack | Calcutta |

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" Querimba, Smith for Calcutta.

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" Sabara for Genoa, &c.
" Nera for China.
" Perlak for Rangoon.

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The Bombay Gazette.

Thursday, 28th Dec., 1911.

## THE CONGRESS.

WE anticipated expressions of gratitude over the Royal boons and administrative changes in the inaugural address of the President of the Congress, but not the fulsome praise of the British Administration of India with which he prefaced an ill-additioned attack on the "bureaucracy" Mr. Bishen Naraen Dar delivered as inconsistent and illogical a speech as ever fell from the lips of a Congress President. He began to bless, then seemed suddenly to remember that it was his duty to bury Cæsar not to praise Cæsar. Perfect religious and social freedom the British Government has given us unasked; Railways, Telegraphs, Post Office and a thousand other instruments and appliances are the means by which it has added to our material comfort and social advancement. The educational system which has immortalised the names of Bentinck and Macaulay is perhaps its greatest gift to the people of India. The spread of English education, as it has instructed our minds and inspired us with new hopes and aspirations, has been accompanied by gradual and cautious concessions of political rights—the admission of Indians into the public service, the introduction of local self-government and the reform of the Legislative Councils on a partially representative basis. We have a Government whose justice is exemplary and a Civil Service which in ability, integrity, zeal, and genuine regard, according to its own lights, for those entrusted to its care, has no rival in the world. "When I think of the dependencies ruled by other European powers—of Algeria and Tonquin under the French, of parts of Africa under the Germans—of the large negro populations in the United States, as the republican Americans treat and govern them—I thank God that I am a British subject." Thus Mr. Dar and much more to the same tune. "A genuine and an active interest in the welfare of the masses, as is shown by its famine, plague, sanitation and agrarian measures, is its abiding and noblest feature." And then Mr. Dar became discordant:—"I feel," said he "no hesitation in saying that the Government of India by England—faulty as it is in many respects and greatly as it needs to be reformed and renovated from top to bottom—is still the greatest gift of Providence to my race; for England is the only country that knows how to govern those who cannot govern themselves." He at once pushes the benefits into the back ground and forgets all about them. They suddenly become misfortunes, the root-cause of most of which, if not corrected forebodes serious disasters in the future, is the growth of an unsympathetic and illiberal spirit in the bureaucracy towards the new-born hopes and ideals of the Indian people. While a new India has gradually been rising up, Mr. Dar continued, that spirit too has been growing, and so the critical situation has arisen on the one hand, the educated classes, filled with new knowledge and conscious of new political rights, but hampered by the bars and fetters of a system perhaps good enough for other days but now obsolete; on the other the bureaucracy with its vested interests, its domineering habits, its old traditions of obsolete and unquestioned authority, suspicious of knowledge and averse to innovation like every close Corporation, cut off from the people by its racial exclusiveness, and wedded to a paternal system of Government under which it has so long enjoyed power and pelf but which is discordant with the more liberal ideals of the present day." Mr. Dar need thank God he is a British subject for a subject of no other crown would be permitted to talk such mischievous nonsense unmolested.

Yet Mr. Dar asks for more sympathetic and liberal treatment. If he gets it he will receive what he certainly does not deserve. Notwithstanding altered conditions to which Mr. Dar drew attention there is no less sympathy between the East and the West than there was at any time. The East has acquired western modes of thought, western conceptions of liberty—which it leaves there and makes no attempt to further. According to Mr. Dar "a wholesome discontent has sprung up and a perfectly just dissatisfaction with many political evils and disabilities which are a relic of the past and are discordant with the needs and aspirations of the present." If that be so it is not the fault of the "bureaucracy" but of the people themselves, who do not seek in any rational way either to assimilate western thought and ideals or to remove the causes of discontent and dissatisfaction in either a rational or a legitimate manner. True, district officers are not so well known to the people in their districts as was formerly the case. The ease with which they now return to Europe and the frequency of transfers in accordance with public interests prevent their becoming so closely acquainted as in former days, but surely this has its compensating advantages for the result of long residence in a fixed locality was intermarriage, settlement and the up-bringing of a generation which learnt to curse its parentage. It is not necessary to go further into this subject beyond reminding Mr. Dar of what he knows already, that until India has emancipated and educated its women will it be possible for that close friendship and sympathy, which he professes himself so anxious for, to exist. But it is not of the want of sympathy, which means true friendship, that Mr. Dar really complains; what he wants is a share in the bureaucracy the 'power and pelf' a share of the loaves and fishes. For, says he, "if British rule in India is to be looked upon by the people not as an alien but a national Government, differential treatment based upon distinctions of race must be abandoned and equal treatment accorded to all as they were promised by the sovereign and Parliament." The fact that whenever it is possible for an Indian to be appointed and that an ever-increasing number of high appointments are being more open to them is lost on Mr. Dar.

Still, after a long digression into the ridiculous, Mr. Dar became sensible at the last, so much so, that it would almost appear as though the substitute who read it for him had taken the opportunity of ventilating his own instead of Mr. Dar's views. Self-government, such as obtains in British colonies, said he, is a noble ideal, and we are perfectly justified in keeping that before our eyes; but is it attainable to-day or to-morrow or even in the lifetime of the present generation? Consider where we stand in the scale of civilisation, when we have only four women and 18 men per thousand who are literate; when there are millions of our countymen whom we look upon as "untouchables"; when we have about a hundred thousand widows of less than five years, and caste rules still forbid sea-voyage, and Mr. Basu's Special Marriage Bill is condemned as a dangerous innovation, when many Hindus do not sufficiently realise the fact that there are 65 million Mahomedans whose interests and feelings have to be cared for and the Mahomedans are equally oblivious of the interests and feelings of 240 millions Hindus—"when this is the condition to which we have been brought by centuries of decay and degradation, to talk of a national government for India to-day is to make ourselves the laughing-stock of the civilised world. Agitate for political rights by all means, but do not forget that the true salvation of India lies in the amelioration of its social and moral conditions." And finally Mr. Dar became utterly penitent and urged the people he had been rousing against us to have faith in the just and righteous instinct of the English people and in the noble traditions of their rulers. Had Mr. Dar cut out all but the first and last columns of his speech it would have been well.

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**NOTABLE LINK WITH PAST BOMBAY.** THE death in mail week of Mrs. Thomas Abingdon Compton at an advanced age removed a remarkable link with the old Bombay of half a century and more ago when her husband was a Bombay civilian and her father-in-law a Chief Justice of the old Supreme Court here. She herself was a remarkable woman as on leaving Bombay on the death of her husband in August 1862, she acquired great celebrity during the Franco-German War by her philanthropic work among soldiers on both sides and later as a charming writer of ballads and popular songs. Her husband, Thomas Compton, joined the Civil Service from Haileybury seventy years ago and after a career of twenty-one years during which he rose to be Judge of Sholapur, he was cut off at the age of forty; otherwise he would most probably have risen to be a judge of the High Court into which the Supreme Court over which his father had presided was transformed in the very year of his death. He had many distinguished contemporaries at Haileybury, some of whom as Sir Monier Williams did not come out to India and some who did come out rose to the very top like the late Sir John Strachey, Sir William Grey, and Sir Edward Clive Bayley, whose widow, too, by the way died only a few months ago. These latter went all to Bengal, but several who went to Madras or came with young Compton to Bombay also distinguished themselves highly. Sir Alexander Arbuthnot and Sir William Robinson both acted as Governors of Madras, while Claudius Erskine, grandson of Sir James Mackintosh, Augustin Warden and St. George Tucker rose to the bench of the High Court at Bombay, the last also rising higher still to be Member of Council. In those days before the Competition-wallah appeared on the scene hereditary and family connection had much to say to a Civilian's promotion. Nearly all the eminent men we have named had distinguished fathers or uncles or grandfathers in the service before their days. So had Abigdon Compton, for as we have said, his father had been Chief Justice of Bombay for seven years from the end of 1831 to the beginning of 1839.

Sir Herbert Compton had a remarkable career for though he distinguished himself as a lawyer he began his career humbly as a private in the Company's Army in Madras. He then bought himself out of the Army, and joined a solicitor's office in Madras, and after a time returned home to write for the newspapers and ultimately to be called to the bar. He went back to Madras, to practise at the bar there, and rose to be Advocate-General. He was succeeded in this office by George Norton, who had been Advocate-General at Bombay from 1823 to 1825, a brief period during which he had rendered himself odious to the Chief Justice here, the choleric Sir Edward West whose wife's journal in Bombay has been recently published. Herbert Compton became Advocate-General in Bengal, and after six years was sent to Bombay as Chief Justice in December, 1831. The Supreme Court over whom he was called to preside had but lately passed through a stormy period of protracted struggle between the King's Judges and the Company's highest officers, including the Governors themselves. Both Mountstuart Elphinstone and Sir John Malcolm's periods of Governorship were embittered by this quarrel of theirs with Sir Edward West and Sir John Peter Grant over the extent of the Court's jurisdiction. It was decided against the Judges and the Company was upheld in its contention by the Home authorities. Sir J. P. Grant resigned and the Company's Advocate-General, John Dewar, was purposely appointed Chief Justice as he had taken part against the Court's contention in the late dispute. But unfortunately Dewar, a young man of hardly thirty, died within a few weeks of his appointment. Sir John Awdry, who had been sent out from home as a puisne judge, acted for nearly a year till Herbert Compton was appointed Chief Justice in Sir John Dewar's place from Calcutta and knighted. Having been also the Company's Advocate-General both at Madras and Calcutta, he had, of course, no sympathy with the old claims of the King's Court here and during his period of office, matters ssumed their normal aspect as before Sir Edward West's time. Compton, it was somewhat remarkable, came to Bombay, when he was past sixty, but he was hale and hearty, and retired when he was approaching seventy. Awdry succeeded him as Chief Justice, but he retired in less than a year and half, and lived to be eighty-three dying as late as 1878. His son, Bishop Awdry of Tokio, died only last year. Sir Herbert Compton only survived seven years after his retirement, and died on 14th January, 1846, in his seventy-sixth year. He was born in 1770, so his and his daughter-in-law's joint life measures the unusually long period of 141 years.

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**MANGANESE.** THE latest figures of arrivals of manganese ore in the consuming countries have some interest for those interested in the industry in India. The total arrivals from January to 30th November from all sources this year were 1,409,400 tons against 1,528,000 last year, a deficiency of 118,600 tons for the past eleven months. India has contributed her full share, but a striking feature is the falling off of the Russian exports. In June, July and August, the receipts from that source amounted to 220,084 tons while in September, October and November, there were only 109,803, a falling off of 110,281 tons during the latter three months. The export trade of manganese in the Caucasus is carried on by a class far from financially strong, and the margin of profit at all times being extremely small, any disturbing element causes great difficulty. In this instance the advance in steamer freights has much embarrassed the shippers oversold in ore at low rates of freight. So much so, indeed, that many are defaulting in their engagements. According to shipping news by last mail only one steamer had been chartered from Poti for at least a month, while the quantity which should arrive thence during December will apparently be entirely non-existent. Consumers will be inconvenienced before long and they cannot have any quick special help from either India or Brazil. This position can only act for the good of the Indian trade and results should be seen before long in increased prices for Indian ore.

THE outward transport "Dongola" is expected to leave Bombay, at noon to-day, radio messages will be accepted up to 8 a.m, to-morrow. For rates see Telegraph Guide page three.

THE Maharaja of Mysore and staff left Lahore yesterday morning by special train for Hurdwar, whence His Highness will proceed to Allahabad, Benares and Calcutta. The contemplated trip to Jammu was abandoned.

PERSONS who have passes to visit the H.M.S. "Medina," to-day, will do well to use the motor launch "Polywog" which will ply to and from the Bunder from 1-45 p. m. For tickets etc., see our advertisement column.

FIVE thousand additional Coronation Durbar medals have been struck and are to be distributed amongst the troops who have hitherto been under supplied as compared with civilians.

THE Khattri Conference which commenced its sittings on December 24th, closed on Boxing Day. Over 400 delegates from all parts of Upper India and many educated Khattris of Benares attended. A number of important resolutions were passed, and the proceedings were brought to a successful termination.

SERIOUS dissatisfaction seems to be prevailing among the postal telegraphists deputed to work in the Government Telegraph Departmental offices, almost all over India, in connection with the Delhi Durbar. It is said they are put to heavy loss by such temporary deputation. They say they lost what they got in the Postal line. Special rules are reported to have been framed by the Postal authorities reducing the officials' salary and allowances for the time being while the duties performed by them are far more important and painstaking. It is further alleged that the authorities do not appear to consider things on representation.

## THE WORLD OF SPORT.

(FROM OUR SPORTING CORRESPONDENT.)

LONDON, DEC. 8.

### TRACK ATHLETICS.

Track athletics in December are somewhat out of place and one reason England lags behind other nations in some respects is, because the 'Varsity authorities turn the season upside down. It is unreasonable to expect men to sprint, jump, hurdle, etc., as well in the winter as in the nice warm sunshine. Breakdowns are more likely to happen in cold weather than when the muscles are warm and it would be a fine thing for 'Varsity and English athletics, if the Oxford and Cambridge authorities would make up their minds to overcome the difficulties in the way of holding their sports during the proper months, May to September inclusive.

Something new in the way of 'Varsity athletics was tried at Cambridge yesterday, when the Light Blues met a team got together by the Amateur Athletic Association in a series of events. Neither team was really representative, but some excellent performances were accomplished considering the unfavourable conditions. V.D. Arcy was a shade faster than 10 1-5 secs., when winning the 100 yards and K. Powell secured the 120 yards burdle race in 16 1-5 secs. Another fine bit of running was A.L. Trebel's three miles in 14mins. 56 secs. The best wins on behalf of Cambridge were F. L. Farie's quarter in 51 secs. and P. J. Baker's half mile in 1 min. 59 2-5 secs. Most of the A. A. A. cracks are out of training at this time of the year, so that the success of that body's team by 7 events to 3 was excellent.

### VARSITY ROWING.

Rowing enthusiasts were sorry the clashing of the Trial Eights at Oxford and Cambridge prevented their seeing both races. A feature of the Oxford event was the number of men from Eton, who took part, six of the winning crew stroked by R. W. Fletcher and two in the losing eight hailing from the seat of learning named. The average weight of the winning crew was 170 lbs., and as they only averaged 19 1-2 years of age, it will be gathered that Fletcher's "little lot" were of exceptional physique considering their youth.

The Cambridge race was mainly noteworthy for the personal success of S. E. Swan. He only came in as stroke quite late in the day, but created a big surprise by beating the more fancied crew. Swan is the son of a famous oarsman and he promises to do big things himself. D. C. Collins, who stroked the losing boat, enjoys the distinction of already having gained his cricket Blue.

Before finishing with rowing matters, it may be added that the Henley authorities are sounding the chief clubs as to the advisability of altering the famous regatta course, with a view to making the start more equal.

### SWIMMING.

The passing of a law to prevent mixed competition gave much dissatisfaction. The Southern Association has now deleted the rule in favour of another which only stops mixed competition in certain events and under certain conditions. The question of ladies' costumes for competition purposes, is another matter which has given rise to a lot of talk. Some of the delegates wanted to bar the silk costume entirely and others were in favour of the rule which permitted any non-transparent material. The latter is a bit elastic, as what a Stiggins might think transparent and cleaner-minded person would consider quite proper. Eventually the Southern officials agreed that any non-transparent material may be used, but that the costume must have a shaped sleeve of at least three inches in length.

### BOXING.

Although incomplete, one saw enough at the National Sporting Club on Monday, to recognise that the alterations will lead to the Covent Garden establishment being thoroughly up-to-date. The old pillars, which so spoilt the view of the stage, have been removed, and it is now possible to see the ring from any part of the building. An exceptional number of ventilators have been constructed, and no longer will boxers and onlookers have to put up with a smoke laden atmosphere. The ring has been raised and is of the postless variety, whilst another innovation is that a seat on a swinging arm takes the place of the ordinary chair which used to be lifted in and out of the ring for the boxers use between the rounds.

The chief bout on Monday, was the 20 rounds contest between S. Smith and J. Wilson, both of London, for the fly weight championship of England, and Lord Lonsdales belt. The donor was present and took careful notes of the points scored by the rivals during the rounds. Wilson twice knocked his rival down, but Smith was the more scientific and deserved the award he got.

### BILLIARDS.

The heat of the big London tournament between Inman and Reece came to an unsatisfactory end. The former was 2,049 points in front at the start of the last session, but Reece then played grandly, scoring 1,315 points to Inman's 598. The failure of Inman to score his proper points led to the heat being drawn. The pair are now meeting in a level match of 16,000 up for £100 aside. Reece established a lead of 1242 early in the game and he is 913 in front at the time of writing. This is no winning advantage, however, and we may see big changes before the end of next week.

### STEVENSON vs. GRAY.

The big attraction this week is the first of the series of matches between Stevenson and Gray. The games are of 18,000 up, so there is plenty of time for the rivals to settle down. The Englishman made two breaks of over 300 on Tuesday, and another of 543 on Wednesday, leading by 682. Gray, however, assumed the lead later on, but the home champion was more in the picture yesterday, when an average in the evening of 68·09 enabled him to show the way by 569. One good break by Gray will put him on terms. and everyone expects that he will oblige with one or two four-figure efforts before long.

### FOOTBALL.

Prospects of peace in the Association football world look remote. At the recent meeting of the Football Association Council, Major McCalmont of the Army, F.A., proposed that a small joint commission of the Football Association and the Amateur F.A. with a neutral chairman should meet for the purpose of trying to devise means of making an end of the present unfortunate situation. The proposal was lost in favour of an amendment to the effect that the F. A. would only confer on the understanding that there shall only be one national governing association. Much dissatisfaction is felt over the reply, and the F.A. has not strengthened its position thereby.

### BEATEN AT LAST.

The Glasgow Rangers just failed to retain their unbeaten record for twelve months—so far as Scottish League fray is concerned—their downfall coming as the result of a visit to Greenock Morton on Saturday. Hogg opened the scoring for the visitors, but subsequently O'Hagan and M'Lean got through for Morton. It is worthy of note that the recent defeat of Watsonians, Scotland's Champion Rugger Club, was thus quickly followed by the overthrow of the Soccer champions.

The improved form of Queen's Park was again illustrated by the success (2-1) of the amateurs when entertaining Raith Rovers, the fine defence of A. Melville being a factor in the win. The Canadian is soon returning to the Dominion, and he will be missed by Queen's Park.

Manchester United played like real champions when beating the (3-2) Newcastle United on their own ground last Saturday. Aston Villa and Tottenham Hotspur are two other First Division teams which showed to advantage recently, big wins over Liverpool and Sheffield United pleasing the supporters of the victors.

### RUGBY TRIAL.

Everyone seems pleased over the result of the Rugby trial at Twickenham on Saturday, when England beat the South. Lieut. Lyon (full back) and F.E. Steinthal (centre three-quarter) were injured early in the game, when England led by 8 points. After this, with only thirteen men against fifteen, the English team had a hard struggle and defeat looked certain with the South three points to the good and only a little time left for play. A last fine effort led to Lambert scoring a try however, and by converting this, England won a grand victory by 18 points to 16. Critics agree that England has some fine material this season, and if the selectors do their work properly, the championship may again go to the wearers of the rose.

Mention must also be made of the sensational defeat of the Australian Northern Union tourists at Huddersfield, where the local team outplayed the visitors and scored 21 points to the 7 of their rivals.

### THE TURF.

The death of Islinglass recalls the romance in connection with the stallion. His dam Deadlock was originally purchased by Capt. Machell for £19, but he disposed of her soon after. Her worth became evident later on, but efforts to trace the mare failed for a long time. One day, however, the Capt. spotted her in the shafts of a farmer's cart, and an exchange was brought about for a cart foal. Deadlock was then meted with Isonomy, the result being Islington. Following this Deadlock was sold to Col. McCalmont for £500, and another visit to Isonomy led to the production of Islinglass. How the latter won the two thousand Guineas, Derby, and St. Leger of 1893, and secured the record sum of £57,455 in stakes is part of Turf history.

### SALES.

Signorinetta, in foal to Thrush, was taken into the sale ring at Newmarket this week but withdrawn at 7,500 guineas. The sensational Derby and Oaks winner of 1908, would have fetched twice the sum named after the Epsom success, but considering her subsequent form, the bid on Wednesday appeared to be a good one. Mustapha was sold for 2,400 guineas, a good figure for a 5-year old gelding, and 3,500 guineas for Runnymead, and 3,000 guineas for Rose Vert, the French Oaks winner, were other big sums.

### IN GENERAL.

L. Meredith intends to train for the Olympic road Cycle race of 1912.

Coombe Hill proved too strong for the Cambridge golfers and beat the Cantabs by 6 1-2 to 3 1-2.

The Brooklands Motor track looks likely to become a big centre for sports, the latest addition being a number of hard tennis courts.

King of the Scarlets won the Richmond Steeplechase in such fine style that it looks as though Sir C. Assheton Smith's 3,000 guineas purchase may yet win a Grand National.

## CALCUTTA MOSLEMS.

### Resolution Regarding Future Policy.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT).

CALCUTTA, DEC. 27.

An important Moslem meeting was held here on Sunday, the 24th December. to consider the present position and to determine the future policy of the Musalmans. The Hon. Nawab Saiyid Mohammad Sahib Bahadur of Madras, presided. Letters and telegrams expressive of their views from Sir Ebrahim Rahimtullah (Bombay), the Hon. Mian Mohammod Shafi (Lahore), the Hon. Nawab Nawabali Choudhri (Dacca), the Hon. Khan Bahadur Sharfraz Hussain Khan (Patna), the Hon. Syed Muhammad Fakhruddin (Bankipore), and others were read by the convener, the Hon. Dr. Subrawardy, who urged an immediate change of policy and a *rapprochement* with the Hindu community.

After prolonged discussion the following resolution proposed by the Hon. Maulvi Abdul Majid of Sylhet, seconded by Aga Moidul Islam, and supported by the Hon. Mr. Ariff and Maulvi Wahid Husain was adopted:—

"That this meeting is of opinion that the time has come for the Musalmans to change their policy towards the other communities, but, considering the importance of the question, it is desirable that the line of policy to be adopted should be determined after further deliberation."

## LUCKNOW MURDER CASE.

### Accused Acquitted.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

LUCKNOW, DEC. 27.

The City Magistrate of Lucknow has delivered judgment in the case in which Inde Pershad, the well-known local banker an landowner, was the principal accused. Th police evidence was that Inder Pershad, wh had gone to Mohibullahpur to collect rent fron his tenants, ill-treated one of them, Sahib Din and had him beaten with the result that h died. The affair was communicated to th police who found a corpse in an adjoining well The Magistrate said that there was no motiv for the crime. Inder Pershad had treated hi tenants well and Sahib Din was a tenant o long standing whose holding had recently bee increased. He found that the prosecutio evidence was unreliable and acquitted all th accused. As regards Sahib Din, he said th evidence of identification was insufficient an his fate must remain a mystery.

A MODEL of a Hindu house from the Imperial Exhibition, Festival of Empire, has bee sent at the wish of the Queen, to whom it ha been presented by certain Indian ladies, by th committee of the Indian section to St. Bartho lomew's Hospital.

THE Speaker of the House of Commons ha received an intimation that all proposals candidates for the Noble Peace Prize, which to be distributed on December 10, 1912, mu be laid before the Nobel Committee of th Norwegian Parliament before February 1 ne

# BLOODSHED IN PERSIA.

## MORE RUSSIAN TROOPS FOR TABRIZ.

### Persian Outrage on British Consul.

### INDIAN SOWARS KILLED.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

ST. PETERSBURG. DEC. 26.

A telegram from the Russian authorities in Julfa states that three Rifle regiments, three *sotnias* of Cossacks and two mountain batteries are leaving for Tabriz.

TEHERAN, DEC. 27.

A further attack has been made on Indian sowars, this time near Kazeroon. Two sowars were killed.

Following on his recent dismissal, Mr. Shuster has notified the Government of his willingness to hand over his office, when his successor has been nominated.

The situation at Shiraz is most serious.

ST. PETERSBURG. DEC. 27.

The Consul-General at Tabriz declares that the Russian troops treated the peaceful inhabitants with humanity, and this notwithstanding the atrocities committed by the Fidais on the Russian wounded, and the mutilation of the killed.

He further says that the Russian troops rescued and sheltered women and children from the bombarded houses. A hundred Russians were either killed or severely wounded in the fighting.

LONDON. DEC. 27.

Mr. Smart, the British Consul at Shiraz, was travelling thither from Bushire, with an escort of sowars, when the party was attacked by the Kashgai Road Guards, near Kazerun. A severe fight ensued, in which one sowar was killed and three wounded. Mr. Smart is missing. His wounded horse was recovered. The escort fought its way to Kazerun.

# TURCO-ITALIAN WAR.

### Turks again Repulsed at Benghazi.

ROME, DEC. 27.

Several thousand Turks with artillery advanced on the morning of the 25th instant on Benghazi, but were checked by cannon fired from the Italian lines at a range of 2,000 yards. The Turks retreated to the oasis at sunset.

# THE CHINESE REVOLT.

### Larger Peace Conference Asked for.

LONDON, DEC. 26.

Sun-Yat-Sen has arrived at Shanghai.

PEKING, DEC. 26.

The conference at Shanghai, reverting to the original scheme, has requested the Throne to agree to the assembling of a more numerous and more representative conference, empowered to decide the form of Government,

It is understood that Yuan-Shi-Kai has advised the Throne to refuse.

# THE KING AND QUEEN.

### To Make a State Tour of Europe.

LONDON, DEC. 27.

The *Daily Express* states that the King and Queen will, in 1912, pay a series of State visits to the European capitals.

# GREAT GALE OFF BRITAIN.

### Shocking Loss of Life Round the Coast.

LONDON, DEC. 27.

Seven of the crew of the London steamer "Guillemot" were landed at Greenock, yesterday, after having been rescued during a gale in the Bay of Biscay, on the 21st inst. The captain and twenty-two of the crew were drowned.

A Grimsby trawler, with a crew of nine, has been lost in the North Sea.

The crew of thirteen of a Boulogne fishing smack were drowned in the recent gale.

# THE GAEKWAR AND KRISHNA VARMA.

### A Disclaimer.

LONDON, DEC. 27.

In view of the statement that the Gaekwar of Baroda, when travelling in Europe in 1910, did not shrink from associating with such people as Krishnavarma, the latter writes to the *Times* saying that since June 1907, when he migrated to Paris, he has never seen, or corresponded with the Gaekwar.

# FIGHTING NEAR MELILLA.

MADRID, DEC. 27.

Five Spanish columns attacked and succeeded in driving a band of Riffians across the Kert river after severe fighting. The Spaniards lost two killed and forty wounded.

# THEFT FROM ROYAL VAULT.

LONDON, DEC. 27.

The vault of Prince Alexander, the father of the present King of Servia, in the cemetery in Vienna, has been broken into and the skull stolen.

# ROME AND HOME RULE.

### Unionist Attitude on Drastic Decree.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, DEC. 27.

The Unionists state that the Papal decree excommunicating private individuals, who, without obtaining the permission of the ecclesiastical authorities, summon any ecclesiastic before a criminal or civil tribunal as defendant or witness, will be the basis of an appeal to the British electorate. They point out that the decree excommunicates those enacting laws aimed at the Church of Rome, and thus the Church will stand as janitor at the doors of the Irish Parliament.

The *Morning Leader* declares that the appearance of the decree now shows that the Church of Rome is afraid of Home Rule.

# M. C. C. IN AUSTRALIA.

LONDON, DEC. 27.

The weather was glorious, and there was a fair attendance for the resumption of the match between the M. C. C. and Bendigo. The wicket was in good condition. Bendigo completed the first innings for 164, of which Mackay contributed 37. Hitch took seven wickets for 47 runs.

The M. C. C. then went in again and made 188 runs for nine wickets, Woolley scoring 64 and Rhodes 50. The match was drawn.

# LANCASHIRE MILLS TROUBLE.

### Threatened Lock-out at Blackburn.

LONDON, DEC. 27.

All the mills in Blackburn posted lock-out notices to-day. It is believed that the lock-out will be of short duration, owing to the disproportion between the cause and its dire effect.

# THE ILL-FATED S. S. "DELHI."

### An Ominous Report.

LONDON, DEC. 27.

According to Lloyds, the "Delhi" is breaking in two. It is feared that there is no hope of salving the 1,487 bars of silver. Most of the parcel post and baggage has been landed.

# FIRE ON BOARD P. AND O. MAIL STEAMER.

LONDON, DEC. 27.

The P. and O. steamer "Isis" returned to Brindisi with the mails on fire. The trouble proved to be slight, however, and the flames were easily extinguished. The mails were re-stowed, and the "Isis" left again the same night. No English mails were affected.

# SARASWAT LADIES' ART EXHIBITION.

### Opening Ceremony at Savantwadi.

(FROM A CORRESPONDENT.)

SAVANTWADI, DEC. 27.

The ceremony of the opening of the Saraswat Ladies' Art Exhibition took place yesterday, on Tuesday, at Savantwadi at 4-30 p. m. There was a large gathering of ladies and gentlemen. When Major and Mrs. Pottinger arrived they were received with hearty cheers. H. H. the Sardesai Saheb, with his daughter the Babai Saheb, arrived punctually and also received hearty welcome. The gathering consisted of all the State officers, Sardars, darakds and merchants of Savantwadi.

The chairman of the Reception Committee of the United Sarasvat Parsihad, made a speech in which he gave a short account of the exhibition. He then proposed that Mrs. Pottinger take the chair which proposition was seconded by Mr. Vintyakaram Sabnis. The secretary, Mr. Ghotge, then read the report after which Mrs. Pottinger made a short speech. After the distribution of flowers and attar, the Chairman of the Reception Committee requested Mrs. Pottinger formally to open the exhibition and presented her with a silver key and locket in a beautiful box. The president and H. H. the Rani Saheb then inspected the exhibition as did H. H. the Sardesai Saheb and Major Pottinger.

# GOUD SARASWAT CONFERENCE

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

SAVANTVADI, DEC 27.

Diwan Bahadur Narayanrao, president-elect of the United Goud Saraswat Conference, arrived here 5 p. m., and was accorded an enthusiastic reception. A procession extending over half a mile was formed consisting of 200 volunteers and the gentry of Savantvadi, Sardar Vinayakrao Dadker and Mr. Krishnarao Sabnis escorted by four sowars Mr. Vinayekrao Kelkar, proprietor of the well-known lacquered works, here presented the President with a beautiful khas fan. Sardar Dadkar also garlanded the President. The whole route was lined by eager spectators. The conference begins to-morrow noon.

# SUSPICIOUS DEATH OF RAILWAY CLERK.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

ALLAHABAD, DEC. 27.

The death of S. N. Verma, a booking clerk on the E. I. Railway at Delhi, has been of a surprising feature. Medical opinion suspects that the official was poisoned. The body, after the "post mortem," was disposed of before the arrival of the deceased's relatives. The heart was taken out and sent to Lahore for further examination.

# CENTRAL HINDU COLLEGE.

### Thirteenth Anniversary.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

BENARES, DEC. 27.

The thirteenth anniversary of the Central Hindu College was celebrated yesterday. The proceedings commenced with the opening of the Central Hindu College Parliament where an interesting discussion took place on the Government resolution in support of Mr. Basu's Civil Marriage Bill. At the anniversary meeting in the afternoon which was held under the presidency of Raja Madho Lal, there were many distinguished visitors including a large number of delegates to the Theosophical Convention. In a short speech the chairman eulogised Mrs. Besant for her untiring work in building up the college.

The Secretary of the College Committee presented his report which showed all round progress. The College was affiliated to the M. A. standard in English, Sanskrit, History, Political Economy, and Mathemetics. Mr. Sorabji Taraporevala was given the Government of India Scholarship for the study of Sanskrit, and had gone to England. Two graduates of the College had also gone to compete for the Indian Civil Service. The chief gifts in the year were those of the Maharaja of Benares of Khurdmahal valued at Rs. 50,000 and that of Seth Dharamsey of Rs. 50,000 for a gymnasium.

The report of the Inspector of Schools was very satisfactory. The prominent visitors during the year under review were Lord and Lady Minto. Owing to lack of support from the Hindu public, the Committee were compelled to raise the scale of fees to half again of that charged in Government schools and colleges.

A marble tablet in grateful memory of the Hon. Mr. D. C. Baillie, late Commissioner, and late Mr. E. Radice, Collector of Benares, who helped the College during their term of office was unveiled by the Chairman.

Mr. G. S. Arundale, Hony. Principal of the College, in the course of his address, said that the growth of the College could not be measured only by physical and intellectual progress, but by the number of selfless patriotic citizens of the country.

Mrs. Besant showed how the college had made its way through a period of unrest, keeping aloof its youths from the whirlpool of party politics—taking them within its fold and sending them out into world as loyal subjects of the Emperor and self-respecting citizens of India from youths who were expelled from other colleges and schools for being instruments of irresponsible men; how it had made religious education with its warring sects and creeds possible among Hindus. They were happy and proud that the College was passing into the hands of the proposed Hindu University. Although the happiness and pride had in it a tincture of sorrow which a mother felt for her child she had nursed, the boy she had trained was sent into the larger world and bidden there to play his part.

After refreshments, the audience moved to the play ground, where a splendid display of lantern drill brought the proceedings to a close.

# COURT CIRCULAR.

( BY WIRE. )

KOTAH. DEC. 25.

The Queen-Empress, this morning, attended Divine Service which was conducted in the camp by the Rev. W. Tudhope.

DEC. 26.

This morning the Queen-Empress drove to the Fort and the Palace escorted by the State troops of Kotah under the personal command of the Maharao The Mahaaao had the honour of conducting Her Imperial Majesty over the buildings In the afternoon, Her Imperial Majesty vistied the Abhera under the personal guidance of the Maharao.

In the evening, Her Imperial Majesty gave a dinner party to which the following ladies and gentlemen had the honour to be invited:—Lieut.-Col. and Mrs Carr White, Mr. and Mrs Robinson, Mr. and Mrs. Devon and Mr. Sutton. After dinner Her Imperial Majesty witnessed the illumination of the city and river in her honour. The Maharao had then the honour to offer the "Peshkash" consisting of elephants, horses, jewels and rich fabrics which Her Imperial Majesty was graciously pleased to inspect and to remit.

THE KING'S DEPARTURE FROM BOMBAY.

**As Their Imperial Majesties will drive along Hornby Road and Esplanade Road on their way from the Victoria Terminus to the Apollo Bunder on the occasion of the Royal departure on Wednesday the 10th January, the Committee of the Royal Visit Fund hope that house-owners and occupiers will decorate their houses and places of business in the same manner in which they were decorated on the occasion of the Royal arrival.**

# THE NEW CAPITAL.

### Changes in Calcutta.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, DEC. 27.

Now that the removal of the capital to Delhi is a "fait accompli" the Government of India will be vacating such large buildings as the Imperial Secretariat, Treasury Buildings, Military Finance, Secretariats and perhaps the recently completed Commerce and Industry Secretariat, it is probable that the University of Calcutta and the Presidency College now find more commodious and certainly more congenial home. The Government of Bengal may acquire one of the Secretariats as Writers Buildings are not quite sufficient for the present needs. Numerous buildings in Dacca will also be utilised. The Government House and one or two Secretaries' houses will be occupied for a few months each year by the Governor and his Secretaries. Other houses will be occupied by various officers who will remain at Dacca. The headquarters of the new province at Banki pore have already a large circuit house which can be reserved for the Lieutenant Governor's use pending more permanent arrangements.

The "Pioneer" says that the change of capital in India will leave vacant quarters at the Treasury Gate, Fort William, rooms at the Water Gate assigned to the Chief of General Staff and at the Plassey Gate where the Adjutant General and the Quartermaster General have had their quarters. Hence it is suggested that the headquarters of the 8th Division might be transferred from Lucknow to Fort William where there would be ample accommodation for the General and his staff of ten or eleven officers. The 8th Division is of enormous extent. The present headquarters at Lucknow are far removed from the North East Frontier which is now acquiring a peculiar importance in connection with the Chinese activity in South Eastern Tibet.

# HON. MR. KRISHNASWAMY IYER ILL.

( FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT. )

MADRAS, DEC. 27.

The health of the Hon'ble Mr. V. Krishnaswamy Iyer, C. S. I., Member of the Executive Council, is causing much anxiety.

# THE INDIAN NATIONAL CONGRESS.

### Marked Tribute to Their Majesties.

## ROYAL BOONS DISCUSSED.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, DEC. 27.

The Indian National Congress resumed its sittings to-day, at 11-30 a. m. The President entered the pandal and occupied the chair amid loud and prolonged cheers. The proceedings began with a Bengali song of benediction.

Mr. Khare read a number of telegrams and letters from leading gentlemen. A letter from Mr. Ramsay Macdonald was read, congratulating Pandit Dar on his election as President and wishing the Congress all success. Telegrams were also read from Lala Lajpat Rai, Lala Sukhbir Singh and others.

The President rose in solemn silence and moved that this Congress in humble duty respectfully tenders its most loyal homage to the Throne and person of their Imperial Majesties, the King-Emperor and Queen-Empress and feels confident that their visit to India will be productive of lasting benefit to the people of this country.

The resolution was carried by acclamation, all the Congress standing amidst shouts of "God save the King."

Mr. Wacha announced that the resolution would be communicated to His Majesty through His Excellency the Viceroy.

This was followed by a song in chorus in honour of Their Majesties.

Mr. Surendranath Banerjea moved the following resolution:—

"That this Congress respectfully begs leave to tender to His Imperial Majesty the King-Emperor an humble expression of its profound gratitude for his gracious announcement modifying the partition of Bengal. The Congress also places on record its sense of gratitude to the Government of India for recommending the modification and to the Secretary of State for sanctioning it. In the opinion of this Congress, this administrative measure will have a far reaching effect in helping forward the policy of conciliation with which the honoured names of Lord Hardinge and Lord Crewe will for ever be associated in the public mind."

THE REUNION OF BENGAL.

Mr. Banerjea in moving the resolution said that for six long year there had gone forth from that Congress platform a voice of deep, solemn, earnest prayer uttered by a united people for the modification of the Partition. For six long years, brother delegates, inspired by a feeling of sympathy for Bengal, had given that question a forefront place in their programme. For six long years this people of Bengal through good report and through evil report, amid despair and disappointment, had carried on the agitation against the partition with a zeal, a tenacity of purpose, and undying faith in the justice of their cause and its ultimate triumphs which he hoped would not be lost upon those who had at heart the attainment of constitutional liberty by constitutional means. (Applause.) Their prayer had now been granted, their protest, entreaties and agitations had succeeded. His Gracious Majesty the King-Emperor (applause) in the abundance of his beneficence, with a statesmanship which was the proud heritage of his Imperial race, had righted the wrong and redressed the grievance and now there had been awakened from one end of the province to the other in the hearts of the people of Bengal, and impulse of gratitude which he was sure would remain the permanent heritage of their race (Applause).

The modification of the partition had been the dream of their lives and the more cherished aspirations of their souls. With the eye of faith they gazed on the promised land, but none of them in their wildest dreams could have persuaded themselves to believe that it would be the privilege of this generation to enter the promised land they had entered; their dream had been realised, and the hearts of the millions of their people were uplifted in prayer to the throne of the Supreme, for the long life of him who had relieved his people of a prolonged natural sorrow.

But behind the august personality of the Sovereign there were striking figures, the Secretary of State, and the Viceroy. He thought, he spoke the sense of that great gathering and the larger public they represented when he said that Lord Hardinge by his policy of wisdom and justice had won the esteem, the confidence and the admiration of all India. And if he might venture to anticipate the verdict of history he would say that if Lord Hardinge fulfilled the promise of his early years of administration, he would go down to posterity as one of the most illustrious of Indian Viceroys. Having his place in the muster roll of fame by the side of Bentick, Canning and Ripon.

TRANSFER OF THE CAPITAL.

There was one point to which he wished to refer—the transfer of the capital to Delhi. The president in his speech on the previous day had spoken approvingly of the measure, while the chairman of the Reception Committee had sounded quite a different note on the ground that it would be prejudicial to the predominance of the Bengalis. When two such wise men of the East disagreed, it behoved ordinary men to hold their peace, but there was one allegation to which he must refer. His friend said the influence of Bengal must decline. He ventured to think the influence of Bengal had not depended upon the fact that Calcutta was the capital of the Imperial Government for three months out of twelve."

In conclusion, Mr. Banerjea hoped and trusted that with the transfer of the capital there would be no decline in respect to the qualities of the Bengali race. He hoped that for all time they would form the unalienable heritage of the race. Mr. Banerjea concluded by saying that Bengal had in years gone by learned people to stand on her legs and to develop the capacity of self-help.

Mr. R. N. Mudholkar supported the resolution and reviewed the anti-partition agitation during the past six years which was not confined to Bengal, but extended to the whole of India. He described the partition measure as ill-starred, badly conceived and mercilessly carried out. He expressed his profound gratitude to the King-Emperor, and eugolised the courageous statemanship of Lords Crewe and Hardinge, and condemned the opposition roused in England.

Mr. C. D. Ramaswamy Iyer supported the resolution and repudiated the idea that the Partition of Bengal was not a local one. He pointed out its Imperial bearing upon the whole of India. He congratulated his countrymen upon the new spirit which had come over the Government and said it was the most welcome feature of all.

Mr. Murdidhar spoke next and pointed out that Lord Hardinge made a correct diagnosis of the unrest and applied the remedy.

Mr. D. E. Wacha supported the resolution on behalf of the people of Bombay. He thought that a great act of injustice was repaired by a trinity of three Gods, the King, the Secretary of State and the Viceroy.

Mohammed Roshan Ali spoke in Bengali, and thought that Mahomedans had no reasonable cause for grievance,

Pandit Rambhuj Dutt Choudhri briefly spoke in support of the resolution.

Mr. Ambica Charan Mazumdar expressed the Bengalis' gratitude to the people of other parts of India, who assured him of their support in their danger. He said in conclusion the settled fact is dead, Long live the settled fact. The resolution was put and carried.

BEHAR AND ORISSA.

Dr. Tez Bahadur Sapru moved that this Congress desires to place on record its sense of profound gratitude to His Majesty the King-Emperor for the creation of a separate province of Behar and Orissa, under a Lieutenant-Governor in Council and prays that in readjusting the provincial boundaries the Governor will be pleased to place all the Bengali-speaking Districts under one and the same administration.

In moving the resolution Dr. Tez Bahadur Sapru said:—"Their Majesties' visit brought happiness not only to Bengal but to Behar. The people of the United Provinces had particular reasons to exult in the joy of Behar that was not unselfish. Behar had got an Executive Council to help the Lieutenant-Governor and the people of the United Provinces expect to get a Council at no distant time. He also expected that other Bengalee speaking districts such as Mandhum and Sylhet might be joined with Bengal.

Messrs. Parmeshwari Lal, Ananda Chandra Roy and Anath Bandhu Guha supported the resolution.

Mr. A. Choudhri, in supporting, said that they ought to be grateful to Lord Curzon for teaching them to stand on their legs. He next appealed to the Bengal Mahomedans to join hands with Hindus and not to be misled by people of the other provinces.

The resolution was put and carried.

The Hon. Babu Baikuntha Nath Sen moved that this Congress respectfully repeats its protest against the Seditious Meetings Act and the Press Act and prays that in view of the loyal enthusiasm evoked by the Royal visit and the official pronouncements about an improvement in the general situation, these measnres as well as the regulations authorising deportations without trial may now be removed from the Indian Statute Book.

The speaker dwelt upon the genesis of these Acts and Regulations, and pointed out that deportation regulations were drawn up in the early days of the East India Company and it was time that these should disappear from the Statute Book. He spoke on the Press and Seditious Meetings Acts and urged that with the new spirit, the altered circumstances and the disappearance of unrest these Acts should be abrogated. He referred to the pronouncement of the King-Emperor and urged that his officials should follow lead.

Mr. D. A. Khare, who seconded the resolution, said that these laws were not laws but illegal ordinances and the sooner they are abolished the better. Public life in the country has been practically killed. He dwelt upon the working of the deportation regulations and pointed out that these should not be allowed to darken the Political horizon.

Mr. G. Srinivasa Rao supported the resolution and asked for their removal from the Statute Book. He thought that their removal was necessary to vindicate their national character and in these days of "Ram Raj" these Acts should disappear from the Indian Statute Book.

The resolution was put and carried.

CONGRESS CONSTITUTION.

The Congress reassembling after lunch, the President moved: "That the constitution and the rules as amended by the sub-committee appointed at the last session of the Congress be adopted."

The motion was put and carried and thus the rules and regulations framed originally by the Convention Committee and subsequently amended by the Sub-Committee have been confirmed in full Congress to-day.

Mr. M. S. Das of Cuttack in moving the resolution on the Swadeshi movement said:—"The resolution was very important considering the present state of the country. There was no doubt that any one who observed the industrial attitude of India during the last few years must have noticed the industrial awakening. Industrial India had slumbered for nearly a century He was glad to see of late years signs of revival of life. India must make progress in the industrial world as she had done in intellectual work Unfortunately, the Swadeshi movement in some quarters had been taken as partaking of politics. Whether it was due to indiscretion of some men or unjustifiable reasoning of their critics it was needless to enquire, for the partition of Bengal has been annulled. Now that there was no partition, no clevage. 1st envy, if it ever existed in connection with this agitation, not appear again. Any feeling unworthy of a sacred cause should not find a place in the Swadeshi movement. There was no politics in it. Swadeshi denotes a term of patriotic feeling. Patriots stand for the good of the country. They invoke God's blessings on their efforts. Patriots will die for the good of their country, but they will not commit murder. They will not bear any ill feeling or grudge to others.

Continuing the speaker said:—"Unfortunately for India in the early days of British contact the administration of the country was placed in the hands of commercial men and so the industries of India suffered. Their attempt was not a movement of developing industries, but of regenerating industrial India. Swadeshi was the practical work for the Congress. The works of Indian artizans which were still admired in England were not to be found now. The hands of artizans had been paralysed and it was their duty now to revive."

Mr. S. K. Nair, in seconding, said that that resolution was not an appeal to the Government but an appeal to the people.

Mr. Sasanka Jibon Roy in supporting said that the resolution had two aspects, namely the regenesation of industries and giving preference to Swadeshi articles.

Babu Dwarkanath speaking in Hindi called upon the people to treat Swadeshi as the highest form of patriotism which should recognize the dignity of labour. He was glad that Bengal taught people to dress in European style and dress was now calling for preference being given to home industries. He emphasised the necessity of acquiring business skill and enterprise.

The resolution was put and carried.

SANITARY REFORMS.

At this stage the President vacated the chair for a while, Mr. Surendra Nath Bannerjea presiding. Dr. S. K. Mullick moved a resolution thanking Government for the scientific enquiry affecting the origin and progress of plague, malaria and other diseases and urging measures for the opening of congested areas, reclamation of silted rivers, clearing of jungles and draining of water-logged areas and a better supply of drinking water. The speaker pointed out that the question of sanitation had been long neglected—neglected as much on account of their own shortcomings as on that of the Government. What they wanted was a special Sanitation Member in each Provincial Council and also adequate grant from Government for carrying out sanitary reforms. Lastly they required a local certified sanitary officer who in conjunction with the village punchayet would always be on the "qui vive" with regard to local hygienic conditions. Dr. J. N. Ghosh supported the resolution which was put and carried.

Mr. A. P. Patro moved the resolution expressing the honest hope for the application of the principle of election into the constitution of local bodies and right of electing non-official chairmen and adequate financil aid by the State. He eulogised the great services of the late Lord Ripon and referred to the disabilities under which the Taluq Boards in Madras work. He eulogised the work by Mr. Krishna Swami Iyer and advocated the creation of local self-government board for the control of local affairs and complained of undue executive interference through the District Collector and other officials. He urged the development of village panchayet and mass education.

Mr. N. A. Dravid who supported the resolution pointed out that the elected members are in great majority in the Central Provinces and Berar and expressed his surprise that the ratio was so poor in Bengal and other major provinces. He thought primary education was essential to the growth of local self-government. He expressed his confidence that Sir Reginald Craddock, the new Home Member, could take steps to develope local bodies.

Babu Santosh Chandra Biswas also supported the resolution.

Mr Surendra Nath Bannerjea in putting the resolution announced that the Hon. Mr. V. Krishna Swami Iyer was seriously ill and the sympathy of the Congress would be extended to him. The motion was put and carried.

RETRENCHMENT OF EXPENDITURE.

Mr. D. E. Wacha moved the resolution urging that early steps be taken for effective retrenchment in all spending departments of the Imperial and Provincial Governments and specially the Military Department. He said that the resolution was broad enough and the reason why the Military Department was specially mentioned was that military expenditure was the "octopus" of the Indian problem. So far as the civil expenditure was concerned he hoped Government which was making retrenchments would not starve the people. Of the many much needed reforms specially the reforms of the police and railways were a bugbear and were growing at the rate of electric speed. As regards military expenditure he hoped that the Committee now appointed would look minutely into this matter. Every expenditure, whether civil or military, depended on the policy and if that policy was curtailed expenditure must decrease.

Mr. Pramatha Nath Bannerjee who supported the resolution reviewed the growth of expenditure since Lord Curzon's time and the eventual result was increased taxation. He complained of the heavy army expenditure and thought it was unfair that the army in India should be maintained as an Asiatic reserve for the British Government.

ABOLITION OF EXCISE COTTON DUTY.

Mr. D. A. Khare in moving a resolution urging the abolition of the excise duties on Indian cotton said that though the amount of revenue affected by this resolution was not even half a crore yet the principle involved in it was great. The principle involved in it was whether they would handicap those industries which they had started. Everybody was convinced and every Englishman in this country would admit that those duties were unjust. The merchants and the publicists agitated for the abolition of these duties, but the Government supporters said that inspite of these duties the mill industries in Bombay had thrived and these duties were levied on the produce only, but that was not the case. If those duties could not be abolished he urged that the money derived from those duties should be devoted to education on textile industries.

Mr. Govordhan Das seconded the resolution in Hindi which being put to the meeting was carried.

Mr. M. S. Das in moving the resolution on land settlement urged the limitation. He said that a reasonable and definite limitation to the demand of the State on land and the introduction of a permanent settlement directly between the Government and holders of a permanent settlement, direct holders of land in ryotwari areas or a settlement for a period of not less than 60 years in those provinces where short periodical settlements or revisions prevail will in the opinion of this Congress substantially help in ameliorating the present unsatisfactory condition of the agricultural population.

Messrs. P. Venkatesawalu and N Subha Rao (Mangalore) spoke in support of the resolution which was carried.

The Congress adjourned till 11-30 to-morrow.

PRESS COMMENT.

CALCUTTA, DECEMBER 27.

The morning papers devote leading articles to the Congress.

The "Statesman" reviews Mr. Dar's speech and expresses doubt whether the Congress will survive the expansion of the Legislative Councils.

The "Amrita Bazar Patrica" appreciates the merciless exposure of the principle of class and creed representation but notices several omissions in the presidential address, particularly any reference to the Swadeshi movement.

The "Indian Daily News" is of opinion that the presidential speech is a luminous survey of the entire field of Indian politics,

The "Englishman" points out that the Pandit could not have chosen a body less deserving of attack than the European bureaucracy. The paper adds "To charge a great governing body which is doing its duty as honestly and sympathetically today as ever before, with lack of sympathy or with illiberal spirit is the depth of uncharitableness to use no harsher word."

MADRAS, DEC. 27.

The "Madras Times" says:—"The Congress is not only discontented with the attitude of the Civil Service, it also distrusts the Mohamedans grudging them their quota of representatives in the Councils. The President may argue no doubt that were separate electorates abolished their Mohamedan friends would still receive a fair share of representation, but Mahomedans are in a great minority and the fate of minorities even in Great Britain is not encouraging. In India where to political antagonism must also be added hostility created by the clashing of race and creed the case would be even worse and Mohamedans if they are prescient will hold out for the preservation of present arrangement. At all events, so far as the Councils are concerned, when we come to the local bodies, the case for separate representation is less urgent if indeed there is a case at all, On the Councils dealing as they do with large issues of principle an assured proportion of seats is essential, but local authorities stand in another category. As to the admission of Indians into higher branches of public service the progress must necessarily be slow. The President, we note, still speaks of British rule as Foreign Rule, Alien Government and so on. Apparently in the new order of things Indians are to be reckoned citizens of the Empire, but Britons not merely alien intruders in fact."

LAHORE, DEC. 7.

The "Tribune" says,—"There can be but one opinion as regards the monner in which this great and responsible task has been accomplished by Pandit Bishen Narayen Dar. His address is a masterpiece of clear, fair full statements of facts from the point of view of the Indians indicating the lines along which the reforms should proceed in order to make nearer the approach to the pledges and guarantees."

ALLAHABAD, DEC. 27.

Commenting on the Congress presidental address, the "Leader" writes:—"We doubt not every one will be the wiser for a careful study of the address, marked as it is, by transparent sincerity, strong moderation, sober wisdom and thoughtful appreciation of the real needs of the land he loves so disinterestedly."

The "Pioneer" comments as follows:—"The address which Mr. Bisannarain Dhar has just delievered is probably the strongest that has been ever listened to by the body. It consists of two parts, the first breathes a spirit of fervent loyalty and complete contentment. Midway in the course he suddenly made an abrupt turn, and rest of the oration was made up of criticisms on more familiar lines. From finding ourselves blessed with Government of all virtues we are brought back to one that will take all efforts of resolute patriots for many years to bring into conformity with the requirements of justice and enlightenment. Judging merely from internal evidence we might hazard a conjecture that the critical part of the address had been written before the announcements at Delhi and that the speaker feeling it too valuable to be lost has tackled it on at the end of the new part which he had to compose after the publication of the Coronation Boons. Perhaps he judged that this audience would not relish too sweet a dish and had not time to do the making more skilfully. At any rate the address as a whole reads oddly. But the important point is that each and all of the measures have received approval and welcome of the Congress sitting at Calcutta."

# MILITARY INTELLIGENCE.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, DEC. 27.

Lieutenant-Col. G. S. Cartwright, R. E., reverts to the Home Establishment from 5th February next.

On return from leave the following officers of the Royal Engineers are posted to Military Works:—

Lieut.-Col Kirby to Bombay, Major O'Donnell to Quetta Division; Major Lathbury to Mhow Division; Captain Gillespie to Secunderabad Division.

Lieut.-General Sclater, Commanding Quetta Division, has been granted four months' leave out of India.

Major-General Lloyd Payne commands Quetta Division during General Sclater's absence.

Approval has been given to the appointment of Captain Lee, 4th Battalion King's Royal Rifle Corps as Adjutant, 5th Reserve Battalion of that Regiment.

Major Fryer, 7th Hussars, is appointed Brigade Major, Yorkshire Mounted Brigade, Territorial Force.

Major W. E. F. Currie is posted to No. 70 Company, Royal Garrison Artillery, Fort William, and sails for India immediately.

# PILGRIM STEAMERS AT KARACHI.

### Smart Capture of Smuggled Arms.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT).

KARACHI, DEC. 27,

Four pilgrim steamers have arrived here from Jeddah, viz., "Majedie," "Nawab," "Shahamir" and "Mahammadi" with 718, 824, 710, and 646 pilgrims, respectively. They reported respectively 3, 20, 23, and 20 deaths on the voyage. The Customs preventive service had a trying time examining the baggage and they succeeded in recovering 40 revolvers and several hundred cartridges from some Pathan pilgrims. Six corpses were landed from three of the vessels and owing to a case of small-pox on the "Nawab" the Health Officer of the Port has taken the precaution of placing the pilgrims in quarantine. Some of the revolvers seized were found secured to the owner's legs or in beddings and pillows, in packets and tins of dates, mussucks of ghee, boxes with flase bottoms, but the Customs Officers were quite a match for the smugglers.

# NOTES ON INDIAN INTERESTS

### THOUGHTS BY A NATIVE THINKER.

**A ROYAL VICEROY.** THE newspaper report that Prince Arthur of Connaught will be the next Viceroy of India has been officially contradicted. It was evidently one of those guesses at truth which some newspapers in search of a sensation are wont to indulge in. The idea of appointing a member of the Royal family as Viceroy originated, I believe, with H. H. the Aga Khan, and it has since been revived occasionally by people who regard it with equal favour. I am glad to notice, however, that an overwhelming weight of opinion is on the other side; and unless the obvious reasons against the desirability of such an appointment can be satisfactorily disposed of, they must be held to be good and conclusive Apart from the noble and engaging qualities of the British royalty, one grand secret of the universal esteem and popularity which it enjoys is that it has little to do with politics or administration. The office of Viceroy and Governor-General of India is one of the first magnitude and importance in the Empire, and as head of a vast and complex administration, the incumbent has most arduous and responsible duties to perform. He is also president of a Council invested with legislative functions. With public opinion in India getting more articulate, and popular aspirations getting bolder and more exacting, circumstances will arise, now and again, when his position will be most difficult and delicate. He will find himself confronted by the almost superhuman task of reconciling conflicting interests, soothing, keen and easily aroused susceptibilities, and composing communal jealousies and rivalries; and although his intentions may be of the purest, and his deeds the perfection of wisdom and justice, he will always have to face the hostility of Extremists and Irreconcileables. Whatever he may say or do, it will be impossible for him to carry the whole country with him; whereas he is sure to be the subject of adverse criticisms from one quarter or another, and may incur even enmity and hatred. It would be a sad mistake to involve Royalty in the troubles which beset the path of all rulers. It is best that Royalty, if it is to maintain its hold, in all its integrity, on the heart of the subjects, should be kept scrupulously clear of the rough and tumble business of the world; that it should be left to look, like the gods on high, upon the strifes and passions of human beings from a distance. Then what is the good of Royalty? one may ask. The priceless good it does is that it begets the sentiment which makes for loyalty and union, a sentiment which unites the Empire, in all its parts, in one common bond. Herein is a mighty source of strength, a grand asset of the Empire which is liable to be seriously impaired, if Royalty is made to mix itself up too much in mundane affairs.

**SUBSTANCE AND SHADOW.** The advocates of a Royal Viceroy seek to overcome the objections to their idea by proposing that the office of Viceroy and Governor-General may be separated, and that while a member of the Royal family may be appointed as Viceroy, a statesman of approved merit may be sent, as heretofore, to rule the country as Governor-General. Under this arrangement the one would be the mere figure-head of the administration, while the other would be the actual worker; the one will exist for shows and ceremonials, pomp and pageantry, while the other will perform all the duties and functions appertaining to his high office. Such an absurd make-shift is open to still more serious objections. Either will be ill-suited to the other, and neither will gain in public estimation. The mind will be distracted between two luminaries, whereas it should be centred, for the purpose of due effect, in one. Of the two, I suppose, the Royal representative, with all his halo of glitter and ostentation, is likely to suffer most He will be like the Great Mogul in his decadent days, possessing but a shadow of power and authority, while the other will hold the substance. This would be an undignified position for a Royal agent; and although an ingenious system may be devised, under which each luminary may be made to revolve within its own orbit, there will always be just a chance of their functions overlapping. As the saying goes among Indians, two swords cannot lie in one scabbard. Then, again, we should have to pay a heavy price for the costly luxury, as a Royal Court must be maintained on a scale of magnificence.

**POTENTIALITIES OF BOMBAY.** SIR George Clarke has great faith in the potentialities of Bombay. So had Arthur Crawford in his day, and all the greater credit to his discernment because modern Bombay was then in the making. He was much in advance of his times, but had the misfortune to find that the public men of his generation were absolutely incapable of extending their vision beyond their own brief day and hour. So they opposed him tooth and nail. They condemned his extravagance, not altogether unjustly and overthrew his schemes for improving and beautifying the city he loved too well. Sir George Clarke warns the public against a repetition of the mistake, at a time when it is possible to look more clearly into the future. At the opening of the Old Bombay Exhibition, he said: "Government and the citizens in Forbes's day had no idea of the greatness that was to be, and they certainly made no attempts to prepare for it. We must not make that mistake, and what I wish to impress upon you all is this. Cherish the most absolute and implicit belief in the future of our city. Its position as the finest port in the East is unrivalled, and all advance in industrial and agricultural development will pay toll to Bombay." The economic conscience must have its proper place in the consideration of public schemes. But we must not calculate the cost with the nicety and close thrift of the petty trader, when the benefits accruing from them are not disputed. Where a reform is, in itself, most commendable, it would be better, as in the end it would be more economical, to err on the side of generosity than of parsimony. A present saving may ultimately mean incalculable loss, and it may be almost impossible for our descendants to repair the mistake. If our leaders of the foregoing generation had been blessed with a wider vision, they would have laid out the Victoria Gardens, for instance, on an area three or four times its present dimensions. For the first city in India, and the gateway of the East, it is much too narrow and confined. With regard to public parks and gardens, we are absolutely nowhere before Calcutta. In this respect, at least, we must hang our head before the ex-metropolis. If we can have a clear vision of the future which is in store for us, and build our plans accordingly, Bombay will be a more healthy, more comfortable and more beautiful place to live in than it is now. Bombay being a seaport town, the general prosperity of the country, and the development of its trade and industries, will also contribute to the welfare of this city. All merchandise passing through this port will pay toll, in a manner, to the city. Thus assured, in all human probability, of our growing prosperity, we should provide for the future accordingly, and by the exercise of a wise foresight in making adequate provision for future requirements, we shall have earned the gratitude of our children, and acted up to our name and reputation.

**Old Times.** It is a good moral discipline to look back on the past, and this, in the case of our city, we are enabled to do by the Old Bombay Exhibition. There is, indeed, much in it that is new, with a little that is old; but that little is sufficient to call back memories of the past. If we think of Bombay of the present day, and as it existed fifty years ago, what a marvellous transformation does it mean! And all that within the life-time of a man. Very old men are still living, who remember the town with its mean buildings and sparse population; with its moat and its ramparts; its fort gates guarded and garrisoned, and its equivalent to the curfew bell of Old England. There was no light in the streets, no system of sanitation, and no organized police. There were a few policemen about, corresponding to the decrepit watchmen of London in the olden times, who ran away at the first sight of danger. Daylight robbery might be committed often with impunity. There were rival gangs of stalwarts and ruffians, who, like the Mohawks who infested the streets of London in the days of the good Queen Anne, bullied and molested the wayfarer, no one daring to cross their path. It requires a stretch of the imagination to conceive the thickly populated districts of Grant Road and Khetwady, as open fields, which it was not safe to traverse alone at night. Parel and the country beyond was *terra incognita* to the bulk of the inhabitants, a howling wilderness, where no man might dwell. Western education was in its infancy, and the man, who had a smattering of English, was admired as a prodigy of learning. The rupee went a great deal farther than it does now. A native employe of the Secretariat, whom I knew, and who died only a few years back at an advanced age, was looked upon by his wondering neighbours as a power in the land, because he received a magnificent salary of Rs. 100 per month! People might bathe their feet in sea-water at Pydhoni, and Colaba was an island to be reached from the mainland by a ferry. There has been a similar change, about as marvellous, throughout the country, and when we reflect upon it, we cannot help admitting that the British rule has not been in vain.

DION.

## THEOSOPHICAL CONVENTION.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

BENARES, Dec. 27.

This morning the Theosophical Society's, Convention met for business in the hall of the Indian Section. There were more than 400 delegates, both Indians and Europeans, from all parts of India. Among the distinguished delegates were Major Peacock, Messrs. Kilrae, Bear, Brown, Eligter, Hawthorne, Hudkaper, Dharamsey, Morarji Goculdas, Shyam Sunder Lal, C. I. E., Chandrasekhar Iyer, Sadasiva Iyer, Kotwal Edal Behram, Leadbeater, Alcyone, Jinarajadasa Rupchand Talwar, Baroness De Asbeck, Countess Schach, Madame Struchman, Mrs. Tata and Mr. Hubert Vanhook.

The President in the course of her address said:—"There has been in Europe a remarkable rise in public estimation and in social dignity and widespread recognition of the value of the Theosophical Society as a strong power for good. One new National Society of Belgium has been formed. 3,758 persons entered the Society during the past year giving a total of 21,417 members. There were 89 new lodges, the total being 962 lodges in all. America shows the greatest number of admissions. Rs. 1,43,265 was received as donations during the year. Horney's splendid gift, the Leadbeater chamber, is completely filled with students. Electrical installation has been made in Adyar supplying light to all houses and power for irrigation. The Adyar library has been raised by Dr. Schrader to a dignified position in the public mind and the year also added much to our literature. Alcyone's little book "At the feet of the Master" has had a very wide circulation and was translated within a year of publication into 27 languages. The Central Hindu College was blossoming into a University and will soon no longer need the fostering care which has watched over it during the days of its infancy. The Delhi girls school has done well, Buddhist schools, Ananda and Galle Colleges, are doing admirable work. Sons and daughters of India are doing good work for education among women and also among depressed classes."

The Report of the various sections brought the proceedings to a close.

### THEISTIC CONFERENCE.

The All-India Theistic Conference began its sittings in the City College Hall to-day. Mr. Ullal Raghunathiah of Mangalore presided. There was a large number of delegates including many ladies from all parts of India.

## WEDDING AT COONOOR.

### Deddes—Kiernander.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

COONOOR, Dec. 27,

A fashionable wedding took place at the All Saints Church this afternoon when Mr. C. Deddes, a merchant of Calcutta, led to the altar Miss Dorothy Kiernander, the only daughter of the late Mr. C K. Kiernander, Accountant-General and Mrs. Kiernander, Coonoor. The ceremony was performed by the Revd. W. A. Lowsley, Chaplain, assisted by the Revd. H. Flynn and the service was fully choral. The bride who was given away by her cousin, Mr. O'Shaughessy, was beautifully and very richly dressed. Mr. E. W. Legh, Collector of the Nilgiris, acted as best man, There was a reception when Colonel Wright proposed the health of the couple. Col. Dobbs proposed the health of the bride's mother. Mr. Deddes, on behalf of his wife, replied and also proposed the health of the bridesmaids. Mr. Legh responded on behalf of the bridesmaids. The couple received numerous and costly presents and amidst showers of confetti they left for Ootacamund for the honeymoon.

**Signor Caruso** is grieving over the sudden death of Edoardo Missiano, the man whom he always claimed first discovered his voice. Five years ago he found Missiano in poverty in Naples and brought him to the Metropolitan Opera House, where he has been singing small parts ever since. Missiano was taken suddenly ill at dinner on Wednesday night of mail week and died within a few minutes.

## THE GERMAN POINT OF VIEW.

BERLIN, Dec. 8.

### SIR EDWARD GREY'S SPEECH AND GERMANY.

It cannot be said that Sir Edward's great speech of November 27th, was unkindly received in Germany, but, on the other hand, there was no sign of approval or satisfaction. The candidness of the English statesman is readily appreciated, but there is a great deal said about some parts of this speech as lacking the good old English quality of fairness and of the endeavour to apply the same standard in measuring corresponding data. Nor is there any difference between the Anglophile Radical papers and the most outspoken Pan-German or Anti-English papers; all German papers alike take exception to this method of differential dealing openly avowed by the British Secretary for Foreign Affairs.

If we want to substantiate this charge of double dealing, we need only point to the reasoning employed by the German Ambassador in London on July 21st, the memorable day of Mr. Lloyd George's Mansion House speech. He argued that the English Government in passing judgment about the extent of English interests abroad, cannot be said to be consistent with itself, but evidently avails itself of two unequal standards. If, e. g., the French march to Fez and thereby commit an obvious breach of the Algeciras Act as signed by Great Britain, the English Government, does not threaten with acts of diplomatic protest or intervention. The same was the case when the Russian occupied Northern Persia or when the United States interfered in Mexican affairs, though the British interests endangered by these actions are very considerable. But if, on the other hand, a German gunboat entered the Raids of Agadir, as the French had done alike in 1910, not only is the rumour that Germany might try to establish her authority in Southern Morocco taken for a fact, but at once the plea is brought forward that British interests are endangered by the German move, though experts of the rank of Mr. Cunningham Graham and the larger portion of the English Colonial Press are of the very opposite opinion and welcome the German protest for the sake of all non-French business-men in Morocco. It is this differential and arbitrary behaviour towards all the other Powers on one side and towards Germany on the other side, that is keenly resented in Germany and, by his speech, Sir Ernest has not endeavoured to take away the cause of this grievance.

More irritating still was the disclosure that the English Government differed from the German Foreign Office in the interpretation of official declarations. We may give an example of the German method first. It will be remembered that the British Ambassador, Sir Fairfax Cartwright, was credited with certain remarkable utterances published in an Austrian periodical. When, however, from the Foreign Office at Downing Street, the answer came upon a German interrogation, and when the connexion of the Viennese Ambassador with those objectionable statements was denied therein no time was lost by the German Foreign Secretary of State to declare himself fully convinced that this official English denial exculpated the suspected Ambassador at Vienna. Some months afterwards the doubt whether after all Sir Fairfax was not responsible for the contents of that interview was again expressed in the Diet by some Deputies enjoying full freedom of speech; but the Imperial Chancellor remonstrated and protested against any attempt at belittling, or not believing, an official statement received from a foreign Government. How different was the attitude adopted by Sir Ernest Grey! He had "his doubts" about the official German declaration, that the sending of the "Panther" did not mean a landing of troops and occupation of Southern Morocco; from newspaper's guesses and unreliable quarters he gathered that Germany had evil intentions in Morocco and at once gave his sanction to the Mansion House speech of Mr. Lloyd George, that was destined to be remembered as a symbol of unwarranted hostility on the part of Great Britain.

We do not mean to say that after this hitch a restoration of friendly feelings would be out of the question for the next future. But words will not suffice for that purpose; it needs irrevocable deeds. The situation now arrived at may be summed up in the following way. Sir Edward Grey and other British politicians assured the public that England was by no means opposed to the colonial expansion of Germany. It will now have to be watched whether on the next occasion when Germany has to settle territorial questions with another power, the British Government will remain as inactive as in the recent instances of Russian or American aggrandizements or whether again an attempt at interference will be witnessed and again the political relations of both countries will suffer.

The experience of last summer will certainly not be lost on Germany. There is only one lesson to be learnt from the last phase of the Morocco embroglio, viz., that a strong armament on land and at sea is the only guarantee against humiliation. Germany will naturally draw the consequences, not as though she had any intention of aggression, but as a means of resting assured that she will be regarded and treated as equal by all other powers. She cannot renounce this claim of self-respect and has material resources enough to vindicate her national honour against any possible combination.

### THE QUESTION OF THE DARDANELLES STRAITS.

For the last three weeks we were regularly treated to the news that the Italians were on the point of dealing a decisive blow on Turkey in the beginning of the week, whereupon the official "Dementi" followed invariably towards the end of the week. It is quite intelligible that such an idea is ventilated in the Consulta of the King of Italy. However we may judge about the present military situation in Tripolis; that it is much worse than previously, when the Italians declared their determination of limiting hostilities to Tripolis, is obvious. As matters stand, it is hard to believe that the Italians could ever hope to make their paper "annexation" a reality, unless Turkey submits to the loss of territory involved in the Italian plan. A conquest of Tripolis is, therefore, practicable only by inducing the Sublime Porte to conclude peace and compelling the Turkish Government to cede the province coveted by the Italians. The other alternative for Italy would be either a ten years' expedition demanding extraordinary perseverance and excessive expenditure or a speedy retreat from African soil.

Public opinion in Italy quite understands the situation brought about by the unexpected resistance of the Turks and Arabs as by the nature of the ground and the climate of Tripolis. From all sides the Italian Government is urged to deal "that" decisive blow at Turkey.

That the Italian Government hesitate to carry out the advice of the patriots, is easy to understand. By any action in the Adriatic Sea or by an inroad into Albania, the energetic opposition of the Austro-Hungarian Monarchy would be aroused. This was proved already in the very first days of the present war, and there is no disputing the point that neither in military strength nor in diplomatic preparedness Italy is a match to the Dual Monarchy. Then there is the Aegean Archipelago as a field of operations. But the many small islands and submerged rocks in that part of the Mediterranean are very dangerous for the navigation and it is to be expected that the Turkish sailors knowing every nook of the island chaos may well be enabled to bring havoc on the Italian warships persecuting them boldly. It is true that some of the Sporadic islands may be taken possession of by an overwhelming Italian squadron, though the time since the outbreak of hostilities has been utilised by the Turks for strengthening their garrisons in Lesbos, Lemons and Kos. But it is still the question, whether the pressure of Italian detachments on some of these islands would bring Turkey down on her knees. Indeed, the permanent danger for the Italian warships and transport by anchored or floating mines would probably be a source of great anxiety to the authorities at Rome. In an enterprize in the Aegean Sea we cannot anticipate the decisive blow desired by the Italian patriots.

The only vulnerable point of Turkey in the present state of war is after all the Straits of the Dardanelles. The Italian Press demands a strong action at this point, but the Government has not yet found the determination to do the desired step and is not likely to do so in future, for very good reasons. In the old days the fortifications of the Straits may not have been formidable; but under the new Regime the Turkish guns have learnt to reach their aim. It is certainly no easy task to force the entrance of the Dardanelles now. A blockade is, indeed feasible, but it would hurt Turkey less than Russia and England. Both these powers are not likely to allow an effective blockade on this spot, and all other seafaring nations have the same interest against it. As the London Treaty of 1871 offers many a handle for protesting against the blockade of the Dardanelles, its effectuation is no imminent danger, especially as the season for shipping wheat from the Black, Sea to England has now commenced. For Southern Russia, the transport of a large part of its harvest through the Dardanelles is a matter of vital importance.

It is very difficult for the Italian Government to make it plausible to the public opinion of the excited and warlike population that this plan has to be abandoned. If we keep in mind that the whole Tripolitan expedition has been, to a large extent, enforced on the hesitating Government by the patriotic enthusiasm of the nation, the probability, that the Government may yield again is to reckon with as long as the war lasts.

### "L. P."

"L. P." is a signature known all over Germany as the initials of Professor Ludwig Pietsch, the senior German journalist, who passed away in his 87th year, in the midst of his work and, to the summit of his fame. Only a few weeks ago, I met him at the first performance of Richard Strauss' "Rosenkavalier" and was surprised at the freshness and cheerfulness at the agility and impressiveness of this wonderful old man. Like Hamerton he was originally an artist and painter, ere his exceptional qualities for literary work brought him into the foreground of popular writers. He was born at Dantzick on Christmas 1824, a Sunday, and he always believed in the good horoscope of children born on such a felicitous day. As a grown-up man he found the struggle for existence pretty hard. As he had married at a very early age, and had a large family to provide for, he was very active as an illustrator of periodicals and works of fiction, so that he gave us only a few larger paintings in oil or water colours. He studied the peculiar merits of Adolf Menzel, his colleague, and improved his originally somewhat dry style by greater freedom of composition and a natural grace that helped over the laboriousness of execution. Occasionlly he contributed careful descriptions of festive scenes and art exhibitions. They were so entertaining and instructive, that very soon his "nom de plume" or rather his initials were taken notice of by an appreciative public. In 1864, he entered the staff of the "Vossische Zeitung" in Berlin, as Art Critic and kept up this connection for 47 years to his very last day. It was due to him, that Adolf Menzel was recognized as a man of genius, before he had reached the height of his career, and many a painter of merit was so to speak, discovered by "L.P." For he had the knack of making his readers see the characteristic features of every product of Art, especially what was clearly discernable, well executed and carefully designed. For the impressionistic extravagances of the last twenty years he had no sympathy and little appreciation. But most admirable were his descriptions of great scenes and as a special correspondent he was sent out again and again. From his pen we have one of the finest accounts of the Grand Opening festivities of the Suez Canal in 1869; he accompanied the Crown Prince during the Franco-German War; he was with the first Embassy of the old Emperor to Morocco; he went with Emperor William II to Constantinople and so on. His reports were always lengthy, full of detail and painfully elaborate; but he had such a wonderful gift of observation, so much candidness and uprightness, so happy a way of depicting scenery, such good humour and last not least, such an attractive style of writing, that it is still a treat to read his old articles. Then he became the acknowledged chronicler of Berlin Society. Of the solemn Court Balls in the Royal Opera House (they have been given up by the present Emperor) the masses wanted to read L. P.'s account in the "Vossische Zeiting". But he was also present at all other events of the season, even at the Five-o'clock teas that had any claim to notoriety. His discriptions of ladies' toilettes were famous, indeed they were so much studied, that to his horror, he was very often approached as the Lord Justice of elegant female attire. Nor did he forget to characterize the charms of the leading beauties he met at solemn occasions. Up to his extreme old age he preserved this delight in beauty of every kind.

A piece of old Berlin was incorporated in his "Recollections," and he was proud of having been so deeply concerned in Berlin life for the last seventy years.

L. ASCH.

## THE CALCUTTA PAGEANT.

### A Full Rehearsal.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, Dec. 27.

A full rehearsal of the Calcutta Pageant was held yesterday in the afternoon for the benefit of schoolboys who will not be allowed to be present on Pageant Day, January 5th, when Their Majesties will attend. A huge crowd, numbering at the lowest computation 1,00,000, and composed mainly of Indians, attended, and the police had very hard work to regulate the traffic and prevent accidents. The two processions which form the Pageant were rehearsed in full and made a very impressive spectacle composed as they were of between 2,000 and 3,000 men, hundreds of horses, over 60 elephants and a like number of camels.

# SPORTING NEWS

## CALCUTTA RACING.

### The Viceroy's Cup.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, Dec. 27.

The following is the latest betting on the Viceroy's Cup:—

Three to one against Vavasor, four to one Mayfowl and Black Buck, five to one Last Call, six to one Aborigine, twenty to one Hilarity, and twenty-five to one Cattaro.

The jockeys are:—

| | |
|---|---|
| Mayfowl | Kuhn |
| Vavasor | C. Hoyt |
| Black Buck | Firth |
| Last Call | A. Hoyt |
| Aborigine | Saxby |
| Hilarity | Templeton |
| Cattaro | P. Brown |

There seems every expectation at present that the Apcar stable will once more carry off the trophy, but a good race is expected.

The weights are 9 stone, 3 lbs. for all, except in the case of Last Call which is allowed three pounds.

### Mayfowl Wins the Viceroy's Cup.

CALCUTTA, Dec. 27.

The attendance in the race was abnormally large. Their Excellencies came in state a little after 3 p.m. and stayed till the end. His Excellency handed the cups over to the Senior Steward amidst vociferous cheering.

THE VICEROY'S CUP.—Distance 1 3-4 miles.

Sir A Apcar's Mayfowl, 9st. 3lbs. ............Kuhn 1
Mr Gokuldass' Last Call, 9st. ............A Hoyt 2
Sir A Apcar's Vavasor, 9st. 3lbs............C Hoyt 3
Mr G. K.'s Aborigine, 9st, 3lbs. ............Saxby 4

ALSO RAN:—Black Buck 9st. 3lbs., Cattaro 9st. 3lbs., Hilarity 9st. 3lbs., Lawn Sand 9st. 3lbs.

THE RACE.—Lawn Sand made the race very hot up to the five furlong post. After a tremendous finish, Mayfowl won by three lengths, a head between the second and third. Time—3min. 1 1-5secs.

A record betting.—5 to 2 Vavasor, 7 to 2 Black Buck, 4 Mayfowl, Last Call, sevens Aborigine, and tens the rest.

The GRAND ANNUAL. 2 miles over eight flights.

The Chief of Manavadar's Realm 11st. Williamson 1
Sir A. Apcar's Five Crown 12st. 12lbs...... L Hoyt 2
Mr. Kenworthy's Sholto 10st. 4lbs. .........Hayhoe 3

ALSO RAN.—Parkhill 10st. 13lbs., True Love 10st. 4lbs., Vernier 11st. Craigendorrie 9st. 7lbs., Blenheim Orange 9st. 5lbs.

Won by 2 1-2 lengths 2 1 2 lenghts between second and third. Time—3 min. 45 secs.

The totalizator paid Rs. 70 to the winner, Rs. 13, 12, and 11 for places.

THE INTERNATIONAL PONY PLATE.—Seven furlongs.

Mr. Goculdas' Refresher, 9st. 13lbs. ......A. Hoyt 1
Mr. R. R. S's Le Grand, 9st. 4lbs. .......P. Brown 2
Mr. Burjorjee's Etna, 8st. 9lbs. ..............Taylor 3

ALSO RAN:—Hughie 9st. 3lbs., Sidona 9st. 5lbs., Winnie R. 9st. 3lbs., Edwards 8st. 2lbs.

Won by half a length, 3 lengths between the second and third. Time—1min 29 2-5 secs.

The totalizator paid Rs. 26 to the winner, Rs. 12 and Rs. 17 for places.

THE CURZON PLATE.—Seven furlongs.

Mr. Goculdas' Forfeit, 7st 13lbs. ..........A. Hoyt 1
Mr. G. K's Socialist, 9st. 5lbs. .................Saxby 2
Mr. Thodden's Watch Tower, 8st. 7lbs. Ferguson 3

ALSO RAN:—Grevillea 7st. 12lbs., The Loaf 9st. 5lbs., John Wesley 8st. 10lbs., Beckmesser 8st. 10lbs., Warrayure 8st. 10lbs., Devils Dyke 8st. 5lbs., Eustace 8st. The Cellerer 9st. 13lbs., Tana 7st. 11lbs., Decidedly 7st. 12lbs., Bird of Freedom 6st. 10lbs.

Led throughout and won easily by 3-4 length, 2 1-2 lengths between second and third. Time—1min. and 28 1-5secs.

The totalizator paid Rs. 342 to the winner, Rs. 72, 34 and 17 for places.

THE CALCUTTA PLATE.—Six furlongs.

Mr. Galstaun's Tangaroa 9st. 8lbs. ......Wooton 1
Mr. Garda's Lumination 9st. 3lbs. .........Whalley 2
Mr. Gokuldas' Soultine 9st. 3lbs...................Hoyt 3

Won by 1 1-2 lengths, 2 1-4 lengths between second and third. Time—1min. and 14 2-5secs.

The totalizator paid Rs. 14 to the winner.

THE GERMAN CUP.—R. C.

Sir A. Apcar's Koonowla 8st. 3lbs. ......C. Hoyt 1
The Zemindar of Sivagiri's Black Douglas, 9st. 12lbs. ........................................Barrett 2
Mr. Burjorjee's Herald 7st. 7lbs. .............O'Nell 3

ALSO RAN:—Greenware 8st. 3lbs., Brogue 9st. 12lbs., Coat of Arms 9st. 7lbs., Mill 9st. 5lbs., Santoinette 9st. 12lbs., The Cockatoo 8st. 10lbs., Chapel Royal 8st. 8lbs., Collegian 8st. 2lbs., Wise Hawk 8st. Devereaux 8st. 13lbs., Britannia 7st. Squire Alfred 7st. 7lbs.

Won by 2 lengths, 3-4 lengths between second and third. Time—2mins. 55 3-5secs.

The totalizator paid Rs. 155 to the winner, Rs. 30, 29 and 233 for places.

## CRICKET IN CALCUTTA.

### Calcutta Beat Bombay Gymkhana.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, Dec. 27.

The two-day Cricket match between the Bombay Gymkhana and Calcutta was concluded yesterday, Calcutta winning by an innings and 28 runs. On Christmas day the home team went in first and put up a score of 316, the only bowler who could do anything against them being Halliley who took seven wickets for 126 runs. A. C. Carter, for Calcutta, made 106, R. N. Bocquet 84, and A. C. Von Ernsthausen 45. The Bombay Gymkhana went in when the light was failing and lost six wickets for 78 runs. Yesterday they continued their innings and were out in the first for 183, while second innings only produced 105.

CALCUTTA.

Scores:—

| | |
|---|---|
| Carter, c Marsden, b Halliley... | 106 |
| Bocquet, b Halliley... | 84 |
| Turnbull, run out | 20 |
| Bissekar, l-b-w, b Southey | 7 |
| Beachcroft, c and b Halliley | 19 |
| Guise, l-b-w, b Halliley | 17 |
| Shellow, b Halliley | 4 |
| Von Ernsthausen, b Halliley | 45 |
| B Lee, run out | 0 |
| Chisholm, not out | 4 |
| Muir, c Marsden, b Halliley | 2 |
| Extras | 8 |
| Total | 316 |

BOMBAY GYMKHANA.

| 1st Innings. | | 2nd Innings. | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Watts, b Muir | 13 | b Muir | 18 |
| Nicolls, b Muir | 1 | b Muir | 15 |
| Covell, c Guise, b Ernsthausen | 39 | b Chisholm | 5 |
| Halliley, b Chisholm | 4 | b Chisholm | 10 |
| F F Stileman, b Muir | 3 | b Chisholm | 13 |
| Stow, b Muir | 5 | l-b-w Chisholm | 4 |
| Marsden, c Turnbull, b Erns | 13 | c Lee, b Muir | 0 |
| Southey, c Erns, b Muir | 74 | b Chisholm | 12 |
| Mackenzie, c and b Lee | 5 | b Chisholm | 2 |
| C F Stileman, b Muir | 6 | not out | 1 |
| Black, not out | 2 | b Muir | 5 |
| Extras | 18 | Extras | 10 |
| Total | 183 | Total | 105 |

### Elphinstone College's First Win.

The Elphinstone College team, from Bombay, finished their first match in Calcutta, yesterday, beating the Presidency College by an innings, and 42 runs. In this two-days' game, the visitors made 232 in the first innings, of which Mulla, one of the members of the All-India team, scored 83. The Calcutta team only scored 81 in the first innings, and 110, in the second. M. B. Watcha, Elphinstone College, took 10 wickets for 81. Scores:—

ELPHINSTONE COLLEGE.

1st Innings.

| | |
|---|---|
| S M Chothia, b J Mukerji | 12 |
| A P Driver, b J Mukerji | 5 |
| P H Davar, c and b Ali | 33 |
| Dr H D Giri, b Ali | 39 |
| H F Mulla, c Mahmud, b Bose | 83 |
| A H Wadia, l-b-w, b J Mukerji | 9 |
| D K Kapadia, b Ali | 1 |
| M B Watcha, b J Mukerji | 21 |
| B K Allbless, b Ali | 10 |
| J D Antia, not out | 5 |
| R J Tata, b J Mukerji | 0 |
| Extras | 14 |
| Total | 232 |

PRESIDENCY COLLEGE.

| 1st Innings. | | 2nd Innings. | |
|---|---|---|---|
| C M Ali, c Kapadia, b Driver | 22 | b Tata | 10 |
| J Roy, b Watcha | 5 | c Mulla, b Watcha | 32 |
| S Mahmud, b Watcha | 0 | b Tata | 0 |
| K P Bose, b Watcha | 5 | b Tata | 23 |
| S Gupta, b Driver | 7 | b Antia | 1 |
| E F Oaten, b Driver | 19 | c Giri, b Watcha | 2 |
| S Guha, b Watcha | 9 | l-b-w, b Watcha | 2 |
| P Bose, b Driver | 5 | b Watcha | 1 |
| J Mukerji, b Driver | 0 | c Mulla, b Watcha | 10 |
| Roy Choudhri, b Watcha | 9 | b Tata | 2 |
| N Guha, not out | 0 | not out | 0 |
| Extras | 9 | Extras | 18 |
| Total | 90 | Total | 100 |

## POLO AT CALCUTTA.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT).

CALCUTTA, Dec. 27.

In the Polo Tournament the Calcutta Polo Club will meet the 13th Hussars to-morrow and the Scots will meet the 8th Hussars on Friday, while the semi-finals between the 10th Hussars who beat the Viceroy's Staff by seven goals to five and the 2nd Lancers (who beat the 4th Cavalry by seven to four goals), and between winners of Calcutta versus 13th Hussars and the 8th Hussars versus the Scouts will be played on Wednesday morning the 3rd proximo. It is hoped His Imperial Majesty may be present.

## THE CALCUTTA GOLF CHAMPIONSHIP.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, Dec. 27.

The final round in the golf championship are now fixed to be played off next Sunday the 30th instant, when Mr. Whingham, the Rangoon player, who has already defeated last year's winner, meets Mr. Gatheral.

## THE FOREIGN CABLE COMMUNICATION

STATE OF INTERNATIONAL COMMUNICATION

| Great Britain. | Continent of Europe. | America. | Australia. | China. | Africa. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Via Teheran Interrupted. | Via Teheran Interrupted. | Via Brest Perfect. | Via Penang Perfect. | Via Penang Perfect. | Via Aden Perfect. |
| Via Turkey Interrupted. | Via Turkey Interrupted. | Via Valentia Perfect. | Via Amoor Perfect. | Via Amoor Perfect. | Via Cadiz Teneriffe Perfect. |
| Via Suez Perfect. | Via Suez Perfect. | Via Direct Cable Perfect. | ...... | Via Bhamo Interrupted. | Via Lisbon St. Vincent Perfect. |

Latest dates of Foreign Messages received at Bombay from the United Kingdom during the 24 hours ending at 8 p.m. of the 27th December, 1911.

(Difference in Longitude allowed for.)

| Via | Latest Dates. | | | Time Occupied in Transmission | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | D. | H. | M. | Hrs. | Mts. |
| Turkey...... | ... | ... | ...... | Nil | ... |
| Teheran ... | 26 | 7 | 55 p.m. | 1 | 55 |
| Suez......... | 27 | 1 | 25 p.m. | 1 | 32 |

### NOTICES.

Telegrams for Morocco are subject to very great delay and can only be accepted at sender's risk. (18-8-11.)

Telegrams for all places in interior of China, excepting stations on the coast, booked by routes other than Bhamo, can be accepted at sender's risk. (25-10-11.)

Bhamo route to China is entirely closed to traffic at present (1-11-11).

Until further notice telegrams (code) for Turkey cannot be admitted (13-10-11).

Italian administration notify that telegrams for Tripoli are admitted only in plain language and at sender's risk. As an exceptional measure short telegrams in cipher or code language are also admitted if forwarded via Italy and those concerned deposit two copies of their code one at the telegraph office at Rome and the other at the Tripoli Telegraph Office (20-10-11).

It is further notified that the maximum number of words which can be sent in code or cipher telegrams is fixed at twenty-five (24-10-11).

Ramhormuz line interrupted to Ahwaz since 7 a.m. (31-10-11).

Bushire reports messages for Ahwaz and Mohammerah should not be marked "by post over interrupted section." There is no postal service over interrupted section and line is not likely to be restored till next April or May. Therefore all messages for those stations should only be accepted post Bushire. Mail for Mohammerah and Ahwaz leaves Bushire every Wednesday morning and post messages for those places should reach there not later than 6 p.m. Standard Time on Tuesday (14-12-11).

Teheran reports meshed line interrupted since 27th (28-11-11).

Telegrams for following offices in first region of Egypt can only be accepted in plain language and at senders risk. They should be written in plain language English or Arabic only. (1) Ras et Dabaa. (2) Marsa Matrouh. (3) Sidi Barrani. (4) Siwa. (21-12-11).

Turkish Route interrupted beyond Bassora. (25-12-11).

French land lines working badly expect heavy delay. (22-12-11).

Teheran Route interrupted between taurus and Teheran. (27-12-11).

At Sotheby's, London, £101 was paid for a first addition of Keats' Poems, published in 1817. The price is a record.

A motor-boat of a new type, 75 feet long and ten feet beam, specially built for the Egyptian Coastguard Administration for patrol service, has been launched at East Cowes. She carries a small quick-firing gun forward.

Mr. S. O. Abell, Director of the Hippodrome Circus, well-known in the East, has been arrested at Colombo, on a warrant from Rangoon, and charged with misappropriation and cheating. He replied to the charge:—"I have wronged no one." He said he was perfectly willing to return to Rangoon and stand trail. Bail was allowed in two securities of Rs. 1,500.

The goods traffic on the B. B. and C. I. Railway for the week ending 2nd December, 1911, shows a decrease on the corresponding week of 1910 of 201,356 maunds and of Rs. 60,142 in the earnings.

## SORE THROAT.

### Its Cause and Cure.

"Doctor, is there any danger of Diphtheria?"

That is the first question invariably put to the physician about every case of sore throat, proof of the ever-present fear of that terrible disease.

"Are you going to give a gargle, Doctor?" is the next question.

"Certainly not," says the modern physician, "As a famous throat specialist has recently written. 'gargling has long since been relegated to that oblivion which it richly deserves.' I am going to prescribe Wulfing's Formamint, the germ-killing throat tablet, which is the supreme, reliable remedy in all these cases, for it contains the most powerful germ-destroyer in the world."

The modern doctor will tell you that all forms of sore throat are due to germs. Formamint kills them all, and makes the throat strong and well.

The same is true of tonsillitis and the bad sore throat which accompanies influenza.

Formamint not only cures, but also prevents them. People subject to throat troubles, of which there is an epidemic in India just now, should suck a Formamint tablet occasionally, and so safeguard themselves against it.

Formamint will also prevent such infectious diseases as Diphtheria, Scarlet Fever, Measles, Mumps, Whooping Cough and Consumption, whose germs enter the body through the mouth and throat.

How certainly Formamint cures and prevents germ diseases, this case, recently reported in "The General Practitioner," vividly shows. Two children with Diphtheria were taken from home to a hospital where one died. The mother and another child who had slept in the same room with them got sore throat. *They were thus in obvious danger of Diphtheria.*

Formamint was immediately given to them and the other people in the house. The two sufferers got well in three days, and not one person in the whole house got Diphtheria.

Scores of similar cases, proving how Formamint both cures and prevents these germ diseases, can be quoted.

Over seven thousand doctors have testified to the value of Wulfing's Formamint, both as a cure for sore throat, mouth troubles, etc., and as a preventive of infectious diseases like Diphtheria, Scarlet Fever, Measles, etc. Moreover, their testimony is corroborated by that of innumerable patients, amongst whom are many of the most distinguished men and women of to-day.

For instance, Madame Adelina Patti, "The Queen of Song," writes:

"I find Wulfing's Formamint tablets very beneficial for the throat."

The Princess Catherine Duleep Singh states, that "she has used Wulfing's Formamint tablets chiefly as a preventive against colds and sore throats, to which she is very subject, and has found them most effective. If they are taken when the first symptoms appear, the cure is immediate and complete. If they are not taken quite at the beginning, the tablets, at least, greatly lessen the severity of the attack."

### A FREE HAND-BOOK.

Wulfing's Formamint tablets are sucked like sweets, and have a pleasant and refreshing flavour. They can be obtained of all chemists and bazaars, in bottles containing fifty tablets. But as there are many worthless imitations about, you should be careful to specify *Wulfing's* Formamint—the only genuine kind.

On receipt of a post-card, mentioning this paper, the manufacturers of Formamint will be pleased to send a free copy of a valuable hand-book, entitled "Hints on Sore Throat."

This interesting work, by a London physician, tells you all about Sore Throat, Diphtheria and other infectious diseases. But only a limited number of copies are available for free distribution, and there is sure to be a quick demand for these. To make sure of securing a copy you should write at once to Messrs. A. Wulfing and Co., (of London), P. O. Box 226, Bombay.

## ARRIVALS.

### Per s. s. "Salsette," Dec. 29.

The P. and O. Co's Mail steamer "Salsette," with the English Mails of the 15th instant, is expected to arrive in harbour to-morrow evening brings the following passengers:—

LONDON TO BOMBAY.

Sewell, Mr O and Mrs
Cunningham, Capt J and Mrs
Allison, Miss E
Hogg, Capt C C H
Harold, Lt A
Lindgren, Mr O
Thompson, Mr R S and Mrs
Swinley, Mr G M B
Hure, Miss H
Thompson, Mrs J J
Burns, Mr F J
Moody, Mr B
Sinkinson, Mr A P Le N
Linford, Mrs and 2 infants
Bell, Mr G Mc C
Byng, Miss
Rodgers, Mr J
Graham, Mrs R and Mr R
Morgan, Mr J T
Ward, Mr R J D
Linford, Mrs and ayah
Burn, Miss K M
Robertson, Mr J and Mc I
Bridcutt, Mr S H
Scotson, Mr R
Rebsch, Mr E A
Coope, Miss E A
Bull, Mr C
White, Mr J K
Harrison, Mr P L
Fulton, Mrs W
Crerar, Miss J
Woodroffe, Mr W H A
Mac Allister, Mr B
Hibbert, Miss

MARSEILLES TO BOMBAY.

Sulivan, Mr W S
Pierpoint, Capt H P
Mackenzie, Mr H E Mrs infant child and nurse
Carr, Capt R
Covernton, Mr A L and Mrs
Vernedu, Mr A H Mrs 2 children and governess
Croby, Capt R G G
Richardson, Mr C
Low, Mr G
Marsden, Mr E
Wood, Mr W H A
Stephens, Mr A D and Mrs
Kreiser, Mr C F and Mrs
Clare, Mr P
Grainger, Col T
Grant, Mr A G
Cocker, Mr R W
Wilbraham, Mr H W
Luckman, Mr H
Theobald, Mr G O
Fuchs, Mr D W
Rumsden, Mr W
Mc Innes, Mr P J
Clarke, Mrs H S
Parks, Mr J H Mrs Miss C R and Miss C
Hopkins, Mr G A
Kenny, Lt E C
Holland, Sir T
Strong, Mr R P W
Gore, Lt F L
de Dartein, Mr
Hayne, Mr A R S
Wyer, Mr C R
Wood, Mr H C
Von Prague, Mr E and Mrs
Raikes, Mr E B
Bissett, Sir W
Chopra, Mr S N
Chand, Mr D K
Frere, Col Mrs
Ralli, Mr F G
Hossain, Mr M
Davidson, Mr F

BRINDISI TO BOMBAY.

Anderson, Mr G
Carr, Mr H W
Schaefer, Mr E and Mrs
Baker, Mr E C S and Mrs

PORT SAID TO BOMBAY.

Nicoll, Mr C D and Mrs
Dixon, Mr H

LONDON TO KARACHI.

Thomas, Mr Mc I C and child
Adamson, Mr J Mrs child infant and nurse
Berney, Miss
Hornsby, Miss
Campbell, Major I M

MARSEILLES TO KARACHI.

Assher, Capt S
Blackwell, Mr and Mrs
Ussher, Mrs M E
Turton, Mr O
Benwell, Maj R L

### Per s. s. "Nera," Dec. 28.

The following is the list of passengers expected to arrive here from Marseilles by the Messageries Maritimes Coy's steamer "Nera," on the 28th December at 3 p.m. Passengers will be landed at No. 3 Victoria Dock:—

Artoum, Mr
Abbe, Sage
Abbe, de Genciollac
Berdut, Mr
Brossmann, Mr
Boreilli, Mr
Drouin, Mr
Delage, Mr and Mrs
Delage, Master
Defries, Mr
Gates, Mr J
Groscombe, Mr
Jones, Mr
Clarke, Capt
Fidler Mr
Mohanlall, Mr
Manuk, Mr P C
Maxwell, Mr
Crocombe, Mr P
Miquel, Mr and Mrs
Park, Rev S W
Pradhan, Mr
Pershir, Mr
Peneau, Mr
Laureot, Debuy, Rev Father
Stewart, Rev
Stevenson, Mrs
Stevenson, Mr
Dalziel, Mr
Jones, Mrs T C
Catois, Mr
Neville, Mr
Phillips, Miss
Clarke, Capt B G S

ONE of CUPID'S strongest allies is POPULAR BEAUTY—CHARM. Improves complexion and renders the skin soft and velvety. A boon to Lady Motorists. In two shades, Pink and white. MADON, SONS and Co., Crawford Market, Bombay.

## THE WEATHER.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

SIMLA, Dec. 27.

A shallow depression has entered Persia and is moving in an east-north-easterly direction towards the extreme north of India. The precipitation has ceased in Kashmir and only a few showers have occurred in the south of the Peninsula. The forecast shows that scattered showers will continue in south of the Peninsula, and a light precipitation may occur in the west of Baluchistan.

### BOMBAY DAILY WEATHER REPORT FOR THE 27th OF DECEMBER.

Summary of observations recorded at 8 hours on Wednesday, the 27th December, 1911, giving data for the preceding 24 hours.

The Punjab.—Skies are clear. The moisture in the air is in slight excess at Rawalpindi and either equal to or below the average elsewhere. Temperature is normal.

The United Provinces.—Skies are clear or lightly clouded. Humidity and temperature are normal.

Sind and Rajputana.—Skies are moderately clouded at Karachi and clear elsewhere. The moisture in the air is either equal to or below the average. Day temperature is in slight excess in east Rajputana.

Gujarat, Kathiawar and Central India West.—Skies are lightly to moderately clouded. Humidity is in defect. Maximum temperature remains in excess; the minimum is also above normal at Deesa and Veraval.

The Central Provinces.—Skies are lightly to moderately clouded. The moisture in the air and temperature are equal to the average.

The Konkan.—Skies are moderately clouded. Humidity is in excess in the south Konkan and in defect in the north Konkan. Maximum temperature is above normal in the north Konkan, the minimum is in excess over the whole division.

The Bombay Deccan and Hyderabad.—Skies are lightly to moderately clouded. The moisture in the air is either equal to or below the average. Night temperature is in excess at most stations in the Bombay Deccan.

General Remarks.—Rainfall has ceased on the south Coromandel Coast; the unsettled conditions in the south of the Bay of Bengal are passing off. Light to moderate cloud however, persists over the Peninsula. In north-west India, skies are generally clear. Bushire records 0·50" of rain and unsettled weather appears to be advancing eastwards from the Persian area.

A few light showers may possibly occur in the extreme south.

### STANDARD BAROMETER READING.

The reading of the barometer at the Colaba Observatory corrected for index error and reduced to 32° F. and for Calcutta standard at 8 a.m. (local time) 27th December, was 29·966 inches. The height of Observatory barometer cistern above zero of the tide gauge at Apollo Bunder is 47 feet. The height of tide in the stream above zero of the tide gauge was 9 feet at 8 a.m. (local time). The temperature correction for a mercurial barometer, supposing the reading to be 30·00 inches and that of the attached thermometer 80 deg. F. will be ·14in. and this will be higher or lower by ·01 inch for each 4 degrees. In the case of the aneroid no temperature correction is required. Should the height of barometer cistern either mercurial or aneroid above zero of tide gauge be different from 47 feet, it will read higher or lower by ·01 inch for each 11 feet. The readings above are distinct from those given in the daily weather report to which different corrections have been applied.

H. A. ARMSTRONG,
Meteorologist, Bombay.

## THE LADIES' CORNER.

### A NOVELTY IN CHRISTMAS GIFTS.

Amongst the most popular novelties in Christmas gifts this season, says a Home correspondent, are the new engraved crystal glass sets for writing tables. These are particularly ornamental, and have this great advantage over silver, that they are cleaned with comparatively little labour. Such sets consist of a glass writing paper rack beautifully engraved in various styles, a heavy glass inkstand with a large tray for pens, while glass stands containing a sponge for wetting stamps and one for shot for cleaning pens, complete these novel gifts, which are by no means expensive.

### A TOY THAT TEACHES.

Specially built blocks by means of which children can build their own toys and all manner of other useful things, is finding great favour with the little ones this year. A clock that when built together results in a good-sized twenty-four hour timepiece keeping excellent time, is a novelty that does a great deal toward encouraging children to take an interest in the watchmaker's art; while for the little brother there is a delightful set of building blocks for building up the most realistic models of up to date battleships complete in every detail with guns, torpedo tubes, funnels ventilators flags, etc. With every box of bricks can be used. This novelty costs no more than the old stereotyped designs which for all the amusement they afforded, really had little educational value.

### UNCONVENTIONAL CHRISTMAS GIFTS.

Christmas gifts of an unconventional nature are often far more acceptable than those which are chosen direct from a fancy stationer's catalogue, or from amongst the mass of odds and ends specially bought to meet the demands of the Christmas trade. A "debutante," for instance, with a small dress allowance will value some dainty novelty in neckwear or the latest design in ties far more highly than a bag satchel or a card-case. Among unconventional Christmas gifts one finds a charming new collar shaped to suit the magyar style of dress. This is made of a fancy Oriental colouring with a short panel in front and gives a highly decorative finish to ready-made blouses or bodices of all sorts. Another gift of the same description takes the form of one of the new ombre or shaded ninon scarves for evening wear, which are always acceptable gifts.

### A SUBSTITUTE FOR FUR COATS.

With the advent of really cold weather every one's thoughts are turning to fur coats. Many who cannot afford the most expensive kinds of pelt will be delighted with some really artistic coats that have been introduced by a well-known London tailor, and made after the latest Parisian models in a rich velour, elaborately trimmed with caracoul plush made in such a wonderful imitation of the original fur that it is almost impossible to detect the difference. The great characteristic of these new coats is that they are all cut full length and made with the new ultra smart cross-over effect that gives a slender appearance to all wearers. Lined with various shades of palecoloured satin, these coats are not only extremely useful for outdoor or carriage wear, but they make an excellent theatre wrap, and are being worn in preference to a thin opera coat or a heavy for mantle by a great many smart women this season.

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## BY THE WAY.

### FRANCE AND HER PRIMARY SCHOOLS.

A correspondent writes: "In your number of November 21 Mr. Grinton Berry animadverts upon the godlessness of French school-books. Permit me to cite or are two passages from the tenth edition, issued in 1909, of a little manual by M. Mazieres, depute, Acadamician, professor at the Faculte des Lettres. First issued in 1883, this work is used in primary and secondary schools throughout the French dominions. The fifth section of the fifth chapter is devoted to duty towards God. Thus it commences: "Who then created the world around us, woods, meadows, rivers, and all living creatures, the sun that warms us, the myriads of stars that illumine the heavens on summer nights? My children, you have already answered the question. An august name was just now on your lips, a name you must never pronounce without reverence, the name of God.' "

### THE MORAL WORLD.

Our correspondent adds: "Then follows the conception of God in the moral world: You know the difference my children, between right and wrong. You feel pleasure when you have acted rightly, and regret when you have deserved blame. You are conscious of an idea of goodness you cannot attain to, an idea of a Perfect Being, namely, God. It is God who has given you this idea, in order that you may endeavour to resemble Him by goodness. The more virtuous you become, the clearer will be your notion of God. Our duties towards God are to hearken to the voice of conscience and reason, to cultivate obedience, reverence, and love. It must be remembered that State education throughout France and its now vast Colonial Empire is strictly non-sectarian. This and other manuals of duty are therefore placed in the hands, not only of Roman Catholic and Protestant, but of Jewish and Mohammedan children.

### EARL WINTERTON'S ANECDOTE.

Earl Winterton, M.P., who has just gone on a voyage to South Africa for the benefit of his health, has a lively sense of humour, and has recounted a choice story against himself. Before succeeding to the earldom he was known as Lord Turnour, under which name he figured in some noisy scenes in the House. A few months after his father's death he was thus addressed at dinner by a fellow-guest: "I ought to know you, but I can't recall your name." "Oh, I am Earl Winterton," was the reply. "Of course, of course," said his neighbour at table. "Why, I have been confounding you all the evening with that ass Turnour!"

### WHERE STOW IS BURIED.

St. Andrew Undershaft, the rectory of which is being resigned by the Bishop of Islington, derives a strange surname from the City Maypole, or "shaft" that was erected opposite the south door every May Day, and overtopped the steeple. The custom was forbidden by reason of a riot about 1517, and the "shaft" itself destroyed as an "idol" in the reign of Edward VI. This is supposed to have been the first church built in London with a special view to the reformed worship, and was one of the few that escaped the Great Fire. There is a remarkable terra-cotta monument here to John Stow, the antiquary and author of the immortal "Survey" which represents the old chronicler at his work, and is said to be a perfect likeness.

### THE POTATO.

Lord Rosebery is amazed at the discovery that the general body of the Scottish people did not know the potato until about the time of the '45. But an Edinburgh contemporary recalls that the potato had to live down pretty much the same prejudice as the tomato. When potatoes began to be used in England the common people fought shy of them because they thought them poisonous, and that they produced leprosy and fevers. True blue Scottish Presbyterians would not have them because the potato was not mentioned in the Bible! In 1743 Macdonald of Clanranald gave his tenants some seed potatoes, which he made them plant. When the crop was ready, they brought it to Clanranald's door, and told him he was welcome to eat these "detestable roots" himself, for 'they' wouldn't.

### AN ANGLER'S PARADISE.

The wonders of the fishing waters in the vicinity of Lake Taupo, New Zealand, have been fully illustrated by the marvellous catches of trout reported this season. One of the finest tallies is that of Mr. A. D. Shilson, who during the season landed 1,611 fish of an average weight of 9 1-2lb. each. The total weight of the fish caught by this angler amounted to 11,477lb. His best day's fishing was forty-two fish, weighing 419lb. Mr. Shilson, who has fished in most places, considers there is no fishing in the world like that to be obtained at Taupo, either for brown or rainbow trout. He has experience of English and Scottish waters, and states he never got such fishing there.

### A NORSE DIOCESE.

Sodor and Man, which gets a new Bishop from Birmingham, bears a puzzling front name, derived from the fact that this diocese was founded by Norsemen. The name of Sodor or South Isles, was given during the period of Scandinavian rule to the Hebrides and Man, in contradistinction to the North Isles—that is, the Orkneys and Shetlands. Confusion was caused by Peel Island, the seat of the cathedral, being also called Sodor, and when the history of the word had been forgotten the name of Man was superfluously added to the title of the diocese. In the House of Lords, where the Bishop of Sodor and Man can sit and speak, but not vote, the titles of a prelate who had part in the debate were simplified by some peer during the old hard-drinking days into the Bishop of "Soda and Brandy."

### THE WORKING OF THE CENSORSHIP.

It is curious to note how the current complaints as to the working of the censorship echo the sentiments expressed by Auguste Vacquerie in the course of a debate on the subject in the French Chamber in 1855: "Censorship (said the orator) withholds its stamp from plays and songs which have nothing immoral about them, but at the same time gives it to obscenities such as are sung every evening at "cafes concerts." "Le Rois' Amuse" has been pronounced immoral. "Tartufe" has been pronounced immoral, and "La Dame aux Camelias" was interdicted by the Examining Committee." It is pretty much what people are saying to-day; and a good many people will agree with Vacquerie's final declaration that "Censorship is all very well in a monarchy where the people are still minors and in tutelage, but it is difficult to understand that a nation capable of choosing its own Government should be incapable of choosing its own plays."

### LORD ROSEBERY AND THE DEAD BOOKS.

The librarian at Aberdeen has entered the lists with Lord Rosebery. So far from agreeing that the "voracious propensities" of librarians in preserving everything in the shape of a book they can lay their hands on is a waste of time, space, and energy, he is so bold as to say that no book can be considered quite extinct. In support of his argument he states that out of a selected list of fifty travel books which might have been considered extinct, each volume had been asked for at least once in the course of the last twelve months. Lord Rosebery's rejoinder is that there is no department of a library in which the books are so rarely, if ever, dead as the department of travel, and he appeals to the librarian at Aberdeen to try again in some other department of literature.

### THE APPEAL FOR DICKENS'S GRANDCHILDREN.

It would be difficult to support the case of the five granddaughters of Charles Dickens, for whom subscriptions are being invited, more aptly than by a quotation from the Reminiscences of of Dean Hole. "A critical autocrat recently informed me that Charles Dickens was going out of fashion. Whereupon I inquired, as one profoundly impressed and gasping for more information, whether he thought that Shakespeare would be a la mode this season. . . . 'Pickwick.' 'Nicholas Nickleby,' 'Oliver Twist,' 'The Old Curiosity Shop,' 'A Tale of Two Cities,' 'A Christmas Carol,' out of fashion! Not while the English language remains as now, and they who speak it have brains to appreciate humour and hearts to sympathise with woe." There is a curious tale of Dickens's sensitiveness on the subject of his own books. He said once that in a railway carriage, if his opposite neighbour were reading one of his novels, he did not dare to watch him, lest he should see the book thrown aside with indifference.

## BOOKS AND BOOKMEN.

### CRITICISM OF CHAUCER.

A little point bearing upon the criticism of Chaucer is worth setting down here, both on account of its inherent interest and because it occurs in Mr. Ernest A. Savage's "Old English Libraries," a book that does not lie in the highway of an ordinary literary student's reading. It relates to a question raised by Professor Lounsbury. In that elaborate examination of the learning of Chaucer in which he shows that the poet's reading was at once singularly wide yet often superficial and inaccurate, and which fills so large a chapter in the second volume of his "Studies in Chaucer," Professor Lounsbury notes that Chaucer's quotations are generally from the beginnings of books. "It must be confessed," he says, "that Chaucer's quotations from writers exhibit a familiarity with prologues and first books and early chapters which contrasts ominously with the comparative infrequency with which he makes citations from the middle and latter parts of most of the works he mentions," and suspicions arise in consequence. He returns to the point and says again that "it is a suggestive fact that a very large proportion of the poets's undoubted references come from the beginning of works and not from the middle or end." The conclusion to be drawn from this fact is nowhere formulated in the "Studies," but evidently the suggestion is that Chaucer was a reader of the sort who, having taken up a book, presently wearies of it and lays it down, and who, if interrupted, does not retain sufficient interest in the matter to resume his reading.

### READING A PASSION.

This, however, is an incredible contention, for there is abundant evidence direct as well as indirect that for Chaucer reading was not only a pleasure but something approaching a passion. The solution furnished by Mr. Savage, therefore, is much more acceptable. He tells us that in the fourteenth century when literature was expensive, a popular form of book was one which did not contain a complete treatise, but was made up of a series of portions of various treatises. The extent to which this method was practised may be illustrated by this passage from the "Prologue to the Wife of Bath's Tale":—

And eek ther was som-tyme a clerk at Rome,  
A Cardinal, that highte Saint Jerome,  
That made a book agayne Jovinian;  
In whiche book eek ther was Tertulan,  
Crisippus, Trotula, and Helowys,  
That was abbesse nat fer fro Parys:  
And eek the Parables of Salomon,  
Ovydes Art, and bokes many on,  
And alle thise wer bounden in o volume.

Evidently in each of such miscellaneous volumes there would be at least one beginning of a book, and Mr. Savage assures us that in many cases they were made up of beginnings alone. Given therefore at Chaucer's "beddes hed" a score of such volumes, and you account not only for the fact that he so often cites from the openings of books, but also for the apparent range of his reading.

### CENSORSHIP FOR PRISONERS.

It will generally be admitted that, in the case of books to be read by prisoners, a censorship is entitled to be more exigent than one dealing with books to be read by ordinary citizens. Even those who are all for the general public being allowed to choose its own reading will agree that books which glorify the career of crime should be excluded from prison libraries, that articles in magazines which deal with criminal methods or describe the apparatus used by burglars and coiners in the pursuit of their ingenious crafts should be exeised, and they will not complain too much if even such books as "Raffles" or "Robbery under Arms" are put upon the index, even although in both cases the evil-doer comes to a bad end. One is even inclined to agree with the recent report on Irish prison libraries that novels "of a morbid or immoral tone" should, not be admitted on the ground, however, not that they will corrupt the morals of the immoral, but on the ground that they would be found dull. They are not likely to corrupt anyone.

### SAFEGUARD AGAINST CORRUPTION.

The system in prisons is such that those who have committed slight offences, and who, therefore, may be assumed to be more susceptible to an evil influence than more mature criminals, have no chance of being corrupted. A prisoner whose sentence is for less than a month never attains the glory of having a book to read at all. Even after the lapse of his twenty-eight days he may have such a book as his chaplain thinks fit to give him only if his conduct has reached a certain standard. Now if, by accident, his chaplain were to give him a book of the sort indicated, he would probably find it profoundly uninteresting not only because most such books are so essentially, but because a narrative going largely upon suggestion rather than direct description and set forth in literary English would, to one familiar with the talk of the thieves' kitchen, seem rather tame stuff. The truth is the book affected by the ordinary criminal belongs to one of two classes—it either appeals to that sentimentality which is so curious and yet so persistent an accompaniment of the criminal nature, or it must be a tale of rattling adventure. When M. Joly made his investigations in French prisons he found that the favourite book in La Grande Roquette was "Les Epreuves du Sentiment," an old romance of the sentimental sort in five or six volumes, and, alongside of it, the romances of Alexandre Dumas. In the same way, in our own prisons at the present moment there is no writer more popular than the authoress of "East Lyne," and after her come writers of the school of Conan Doyle and Rider Haggard.

### COLONIES AND COPYRIGHT ACTS.

It will be interesting in the near future to see what America will do when she finds, as is probable, that the British Colonies have included in their Copyright Acts manufacturing clauses against her books. In this respect Australia is ranging herself with Canada, and, no doubt, New Zealand will follow suit. It is not a thought entirely pleasing to the ethical imagination that by those Acts unlimited piracy of American books will be permitted throughout Greater Britain, but it will create a serious situation for the United States, for the colonies named are a valuable market, and they produce so little original literature of their own as to render negligible such a warning as seems to have been conveyed to England during the recent copyright discussions—that if England passed a manufacturing clause the United States would refuse to copyright British books on any condition. One of two ways lies open: America may drop her manufacturing clause so far as concerns Canada, Australia, and New Zealand, while retaining it against England—an anomalous position, or she will to the benefit of her citizens and the satisfaction of British publishers, drop it altogether and take her stand on the Berne Convention.

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| | Rs. | Rs. | Rs. | Rs. |
| Total Traffic for the week.......... | 2,40,000 | 2,70,000 | 4,000 | 5,14,000 |
| Or per mile of Railway.......... | 476 | 535 | 8 | 1,019 |
| For previous 22 weeks of half year .......... | 37,28,503 | 50,46,960 | 82,417 | 88,57,880 |
| Total for 23 weeks | 39,68,503 | 53,16,960 | 86,417 | 93,71,880 |
| COMPARISON. | | | | |
| Total for corresponding week of previous year | 1,69,372 | 3,89,717 | 6,810 | 5,65,929 |
| Per mile of Ry... | 336 | 773 | 13 | 1,122 |
| Total to corresponding date... | 35,56,483 | 53,19,750 | 1,03,315 | 89,79,548 |

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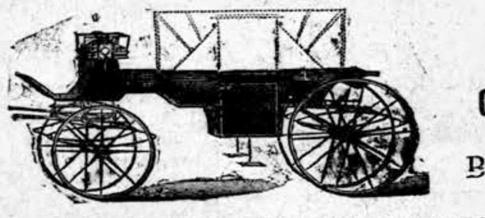

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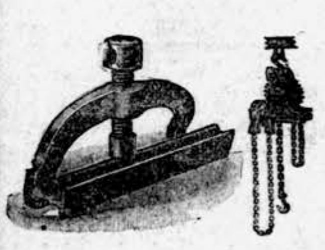

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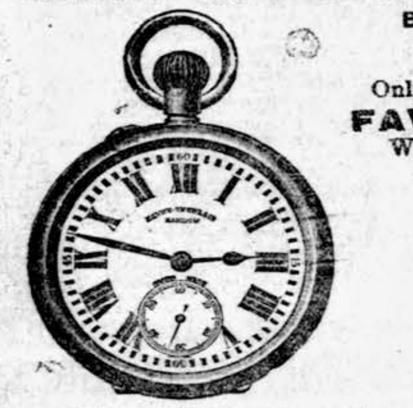

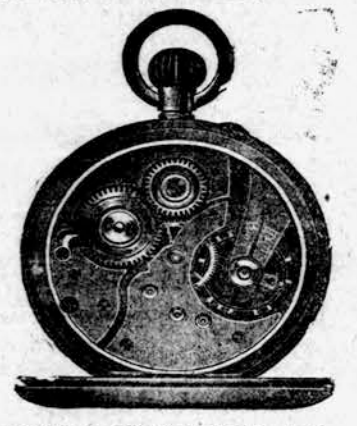

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